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## SEARCH FOR THE BIG PICTURE

Allan Thomsett's plans to build a cinema in Deal keep being held up. First the leaseholders pulled out amid rumours of a Gordon Ramsay restaurant, now the council is spending £30,000 to decide its future.

■ BY MARIJKE COX

A FORMER manager at Flicks cinema is campaigning for a cinema "Deal can be proud of".

Allan Thomsett was initially pushing to get a new cinema at the old Flicks venue after it was closed in November 2007.

He said: "I was in contact with the owner of Flicks and made an offer three months ago on the lease, which was accepted."

"After a consultation with the leaseholders about creating a new cinema we were about to get the keys and they suddenly said it was going to cost too much money and pulled out."

"I then found out that Gordon Ramsay had been looking at property in Kent and there was a possibility he would buy the cinema for a new restaurant."

However, despite rumours, a spokesperson for Mr Ramsay said he had no plans to open a restaurant in the area.

Following the news Flicks cinema was off limits, Mr Thomsett looked into the possibility of a new cinema at the Quarterdeck on Beach Street.

He said: "I attended a council meeting to hear what they had to say about the Quarterdeck and they're spending £30,000 to find out how the site can be developed. I don't see why they need to spend this money to look at what to build there. If I could get a lease off them I could turn it into a cinema Deal can be proud of."

But Dover council leader Cllr Paul Watkins said: "The Quarterdeck was declared surplus to the council's requirements. It will effectively be marketed to get the best price."

"The existing building is no longer fit for purpose. There is major development taking place in Deal and options have been looked at as to how the site can best fit the seafront development."



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CONCERNS: Charlie Elphicke (second from left) with members of the Whitfield Action Group

# Group's fears over plans for 10,000 homes

BY MARIJKE COX

AN ACTION group against the development of thousands of homes in Whitfield has been visited by the Conservative Parliamentary candidate for the district.

Charlie Elphicke, who hopes to represent Dover and Deal in the future, listened to concerns from the Whitfield Action Group who fear the possibility of up to 3,000 houses being built near their homes.

Members of the group told Mr Elphicke that if the proposed development went ahead the heart of the village would be torn out.

They raised concerns about the inadequate roads, school and health infrastructure and the problems with sewage and water supplies should the proposals go ahead.

Mr Elphicke said: "I was impressed with the thoughtful and considered

approach of the Whitfield Action Group.

"They are not against all development – they just do not see the need for over 10,000 new houses locally.

"The group told me they are prepared to work with Dover council on the 8,000 house figure ensuring the best for the district."

Chairman of the Whitfield Action Group (WAG), Roger Knight, said: "WAG's campaign for common sense regarding this proposed development has extended over two years.

"We are grateful for the support shown by Charlie. He has acknowledged we have valid reasons for concern and that too many houses will have an adverse effect on the town of Dover.

"He has restored some degree of hope that we may influence the decisions that are to be made.

"WAG does not wish to politicise this issue. However, it's clear that within the group and amongst the vast majority of residents, there is a cross-party support in opposition to mass housing development and the destruction of the village."

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### £10,000 boost for Dover FC clubhouse

IT SEEMED things couldn't get any better for Dover Athletic Football Club when their recent victory over Burgess Hill Town secured them a promotion.

But now, the Supporters Trust, which has the club through financial hardship in past years, is set to receive £10,000 from Dover Town Council towards a new clubhouse.

The decision to donate the funds came before the Whites, as they are nicknamed, secured promotion into the Ryman Premier League after their 1-0 win at Crabble on April 5.

Roger Knight, club vice-chairman, said: "From the football club's point of view we are grateful for any kind of donation, but this is a sizeable one and we really appreciate the support.

"It's great for us as it means our town council are recognising the football club is something worth investing in."

Funds donated to the trust will go towards a clubhouse replacing the Centre Spot which is around 40 years old.

At the end of last year, club chairman Jim Parmenter pledged to guarantee funding for a new clubhouse costing more than £150,000, provided fans did their bit and backed the project by raising £30,000 towards it by April.

A large amount of money has been raised but through the help of the £10,000 grant from the town council, the Supporter's Trust can present the club with substantial funds towards the new Centre Spot.

#### Funds

Debbie Harrison, secretary of the Trust, said: "Before the last board of Directors were brought in the club was in real financial difficulties so we started up the Trust to raise money.

"Now the club is more financially stable but we're still here to raise funds towards its projects."

The new clubhouse will have a new bar and provide a function facility for the club and the town.

Mr Knight said: "It will make our football club complete and raise the profile as well as revenue.

"We have moved forward so much over the last few years. Before the Board took over the club was going bust within two weeks and now look where we are.

"We've had great support from sponsor SeaFrance and would like even more from local businesses. The Supporters Trust has also been a massive help."

Mike Webb, town clerk at the council, said: "I am thrilled with all the efforts put in by the board, the supporters, the town and the Supporters Trust.

"All this has restored faith within Dover Football Club."

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# Duo help young adults to unlock their potential

■ BY MARIJKE COX

FOR many people with learning needs, simple everyday actions can prove difficult and sometimes impossible.

But with the help of a new programme set up in St Margaret's Bay, young adults with learning difficulties have been able to overcome these obstacles and focus on what they can do.

Linda James and Brian Davenport, from Thanet, have set up a training programme that not only allows their students the chance to work, but focuses on their abilities as opposed to their disabilities.

Based in the tearooms at the Pines Gardens and the Old Chapel, students aged 19 upwards have been given the chance to work and develop skills that people often take for granted.

Mr Davenport said: "The training programme we have allows young people with learning needs to work towards a more independent life.

"We're working in line with a Government policy which encour-

## Tearoom pupils encouraged to overcome learning difficulties

ages people with disabilities to be independent.

"However, the problem with the Government plan is they expect people with learning needs to adapt too quickly when they haven't yet got the skills they need to be self-sufficient.

"What we do here is support each individual's needs and this includes their families and their employer once they have work.

"The main focus of the scheme is to unlock the abilities of these people and use a multisensory way of learning to not only prepare them for work, but help them in everyday life.

"This includes making our students aware of topical issues so they can cope in social situations and contribute to conversations."

The students on the programme work within the tearooms, working closely with other members of the group as well as customers.

Ms James said: "None of the students have any problems dealing with customers.

"In turn we don't promote their learning needs to people that come to the tearoom and most of the customers don't even notice, which is a great success.

"One of our students is actually employed by us on a Saturday as general assistant and this is somebody who was turned down for a job at Tesco after being told she couldn't stack shelves.

"With our help she has blossomed and found what she is good at."

As well as working with the students, Mr Davenport and Ms James, who have years of experience working with people with disabilities, support families and carers who may be finding things difficult.

Mr Davenport said: "We provide another outlet for them if they have any concerns about their children.

"Parents are really pleased with what we're doing and when their son or daughter achieves something, they're absolutely buzzing."



INDEPENDENCE: Linda James and Brian Davenport have set up a programme which helps young adults with learning difficulties to be self-sufficient

Picture: Marijke Cox

## Iron Lady to visit Iron' Duke's school

BARONESS Thatcher is paying a visit to the Duke of York's Royal Military School.

Pupils and staff are gearing up for the arrival of Margaret Thatcher on Friday, April 25.

The former Prime Minister will meet pupils and staff during her trip and gain insight into the workings of the school.

Head-teacher Charles Johnson says he is "looking forward" to the visit.

Duke of York's Royal Military School in Guston is a Ministry of Defence establishment for children whose parents are serving in the British Armed Forces.

## Council tax debts kept to a minimum

DOVER District Council has the second lowest write-off level of unpaid council tax in Kent.

Despite figures reaching £71,000 for 2006-07, other district and borough councils in the county have written off thousands more in unpaid tax, highlighting Dover's high collection rates.

According to a report by the Department for Communities and Local Government, some parts of Kent are nearing the £500,000 mark with Thanet almost reaching £900,000.

But Dover District Council has proved it's tough on council tax payers in comparison to other areas and has ensured that those living in the district have stumped up for services.

However, the council has stated that they gave up chasing some council tax dodgers as the cost of the recovery exceeded the value of the outstanding bill.

In other cases the courts have written off the debt leaving it out of the council's hands.

But if debtors come back into the system, with the exception of those directed by courts, the write-offs can be reversed and the fee collected.

However, a spokesperson from the

TaxPayers' Alliance said although the district's figure is relatively low, the council should still try to improve.

He said: "Every penny counts, so although £71,000 isn't as much as other areas there is always room for improvement.

"The main problem is some law-abiding citizens are struggling to make ends meet and the council chases them down for relatively small debts and yet they let other people off paying at all.

"I congratulate Dover but it would be interesting to see how comparable their figure is to districts of the same size."

Cllr Paul Watkins, leader of Dover District Council, said: "I don't find the result unexpected. We have a vigilant policy of collecting debts and dealing with fraud."

Cllr Stephen Manion, portfolio holder for corporate resources and IT, said: "We have a good team at Dover District Council.

"A number of factors contribute to this district having one of the lowest figures, one of which is having a number of different ways of collecting finance, like direct debit.

"This makes it a little less painful for people."

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**Brian Davenport talks about the St Margaret's scheme**

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NEWS IN BRIEFCoalfields regeneration  
gets big funding boost

COMMUNITY groups from the former Kent coalfield areas are set to benefit from £300,000.

The funding scheme Bridging the Gap, a Coalfield Regeneration Trust initiative, has allocated the funds to assist the voluntary and community organisations.

Those groups are being invited to apply for grants and the Trust, working with the Community Development Team at Dover District Council, are offering funding between £500 and £10,000.

Coalfield Regeneration Trust Chairman, Peter McNestry, said: "We're looking forward to continuing our work in the Kent coalfields. We have achieved a great deal so far but realise there is still a big job to be done."

Cllr Sue Nicholas, Cabinet Member for Housing and Community, said: "We are eager to hear from any voluntary or community organisation or group that has a small project that we could help fund."

For funding information contact Una Mills, Regeneration Officer, 01304 872066.

Charity says cheers to  
fundraising for mill

CRABBLE Corn Mill is getting ready for its fourth annual Beer Festival.

With over 1376 visitors last year, organisers behind the event are hoping this year will be just as successful. The festival will be held on May 23-24.

Crabble Corn Mill in River, Dover is the only working water mill in Kent, operated by a charitable trust, and the event is being held to raise funds to help with the upkeep of the mill.

Anyone interested in sponsoring the event should contact Anthony Reid on 01304 823292 or email ant@crabblecorn-mill.org.uk.

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Manager Andy Hesselthaler on  
Dover Athletics' wonderful season

# Upheaval for elderly as housing crisis hits

■ BY MARIJKE COX

ALMOST a hundred elderly people could be moved out of their sheltered housing because of a cash crisis in the district's budget.

It was decided at a Cabinet meeting to "consult on closure" of Manley House in Whitfield, St Nicholas House in Ash and William Muge and Snelgrove House in Dover.

A final decision is expected by July and following this, it could take up to two years to close the accommodation down.

Four out of eight housing officers will also be made redundant.

The council is blaming the closures on the government who takes any excess money that comes in from rent, leading to a reduction in the Housing Revenue Account.

But Leader of the Council, Cllr Paul Watkins, said aside from this the living conditions in the accommodation are not sufficient for the residents.

He said: "The accommodation being discussed does not have decent living standards for people. They have to share toilets and this is not good enough."

"People living in the homes will be decanted according to where they want to live and they will be given assistance to relocate into an area where they are happy."

Cllr Ben Bano, Leader of the District Council's Labour Group, said: "We are very concerned about the failure to invest in improvements for these schemes and to see them to the open market."

"But we are even more concerned about the uncertainty and possible confusion for a large number of elderly and sometimes frail residents who will be losing their homes and will have to relocate elsewhere."

"In some cases this will be in unfamiliar surroundings away from their family and friends."

"The consultation process must not assume that these closures are a foregone conclusion but must take these factors fully into account."

Liberal Democrat councillors have called the plans "outrageous" and believe the treatment of residents living in the district's sheltered accommodation has not been good enough.

Cllr Clive Meredith, Leader of the Liberal Democrats, said: "These are some of the most vulnerable people in the community who are now facing uncertainty about their homes."

"Residents in these units, which the council admits are non-decent and unfit for purpose, should not be put in a position of such uncertainty."

"As a priority adequate funds need to be allocated for long-term provision of decent sheltered housing. When that housing is built, then we can decide about closure, not before."

The proposed closures come after Bede and Dunstan Houses in Deal were shut down having been sold to Kent County Council as part of a private finance initiative.

Picture PHIL HOUGHTON



## ECO-FRIENDLY IS IN THE BAG

Businesses in Dover are joining forces to support the ban the plastic bag campaign.

JC Rook and Sons, Costcutters and stalls at the market are all stocking reusable carrier bags designed by pupils from Dover Grammar School for Boys.

Barry Gifford, manager at JC Rook and Sons in Dover, said: "We started stocking the bags over a week ago. Lots of people have been buying them. I'm quite surprised at how successful they're turning out to be and of course very pleased about it."

Rosie Rechter, from local environmental group Deal With It, said: "We think the plastic bag campaign is going well. Activity is spreading out into the community and the Landmark Centre has requested cotton bags to sell as they have been asked by people where they can buy them."

"People have commented that you see more and more shoppers with 'real' shopping bags of one kind or another."



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**TRAFFIC JAM:** Lorries are causing traffic problems around Dover while the A20 is being resurfaced

# Diverted lorries cause chaos on port highways

POOR diversion signs for lorries during the A20 resurfacing work are causing problems on many of Dover's roads at night, according to residents.

Cllr Nigel Collor, Dover District Councillor and Portfolio Holder for Access, deemed the situation as "unacceptable".

With complete closure of one carriageway of sections of the A20 between the Eastern Docks and York Street roundabout from 8pm to 5am, lorries are meant to be diverted along the A256 and A2.

However, Cllr Collor has stated that HGVs have been wrongly travelling along the steep Castle Hill Road instead of the set diversion route, due to poor signage.

## U-turns

He said many lorry drivers have been forced to make U-turns in small roads or end up blocking streets when trying to make tight turns when looking for ways to the port.

"On numerous occasions I've seen trucks blocking the Castle Street Maison Dieu Road junction as they were having difficulty negotiating the turn into Castle Street.

"This causes congestion at the junction due to the tight turn that a number of lorries stop at, thinking at first they can't make it."

In an email to the Highways Agency, Cllr Collor stated that lorries have been blocking the Dover High Street junction with Ladywell while trying to take an impossible route to the port.

He states that improved signing needs to be looked at urgently.

■ BY MARIJKE COX

Jeanette Harper, a member of the A20 Action Group, has also commented on the "complete confusion" as lorries try to work out where to go.

She mentioned one incident where a lorry got stuck for a few minutes while trying to negotiate the tight bend into Castle Street and took pictures of stationary lorries blocking the roads.

A spokesman at the Highways Agency said: "As far as we're concerned the signs do conform to the Traffic Sign Regulations 2002.

"We've taken note of what has been said and are looking into the situation."

Along with this, severe congestion has now been reported as a result of the works, with some claiming there have been queues as far back as the Roundhill Tunnels in Folkestone.

Cllr Collor has contacted the Highways Agency asking for the possible implementation of Operation Stack when heavy congestion is expected, to lessen the effect of traffic on Dover.

A spokesman at the agency said: "Operation Stack is a matter for the police. In no way does the Highways Agency have any part of the decision.

"We have meetings on a daily basis to take into account any issues that may affect the road network.

"We take advice from other partners, including the police, about the best thing for road users.

"Operation Stack however is nothing to do with us."

## yourdover NEWS IN BRIEF

### Get treasures valued by Cash in the Attic

BBC's Cash in the Attic presenters are coming to Walmer this weekend to turn people's trash into treasure.

Lorne Spice and Tom Keane, from the daytime show, will be visiting the Walmer Spring Brocante on Sunday at Walmer Green.

It spells the start of the Cash in the Attic Roadshow which will travel to fairs, shows and exhibitions around the UK.

Walmer has been chosen as the first venue and visitors are invited to bring along their collectables to be valued by the eagle-eyed pair.

Cllr Pat Heath, Chairman of Walmer Parish Council, said: "This is the first large antiques and collectables fair ever to be held in Walmer and it has generated a fantastic response. We hope local residents and stallholders will make the most of this unique opportunity to have their potential treasures valued free of charge by the TV experts."

The brocante, running from 8am until 4pm, will have over 100 stalls ranging from antiques and crafts to continental food.

Valuations will take place from 11am-3pm and bookings can be made from 9am-11am at the CITA marquee behind the bandstand.

### New man at the castle talks town with mayor

THE newly-appointed deputy constable of Dover Castle has visited the Mayor of Dover.

Brigadier Ian James, who was presented with the Keys to England during his induction last month, came to the town council offices and heard about plans for the 90th anniversary of the Zeebrugge Raid.

Cllr Bob Markham, the Mayor of Dover, said: "We talked about the Zeebrugge Raid and its commemoration on St George's Day.

"Following a service and wreath-laying at St James Cemetery at 11.15am on that day, the Zeebrugge Bell, which is a gift to Dover from the Belgian king, will be rung after colours have been dipped, at noon."

### Go on a history walk? That is the question

FAMILIES are being invited to take part on a historical walk along Shakespeare Cliff.

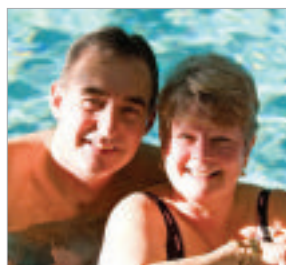
Visitors will get the chance to learn about St George and King Lear, written 400 years ago by Shakespeare, as well as looking for wildlife in the chalk grassland and searching for early spider orchids.

Julie Thomsett from the White Cliffs Countryside Project will be leading the two-mile walk.

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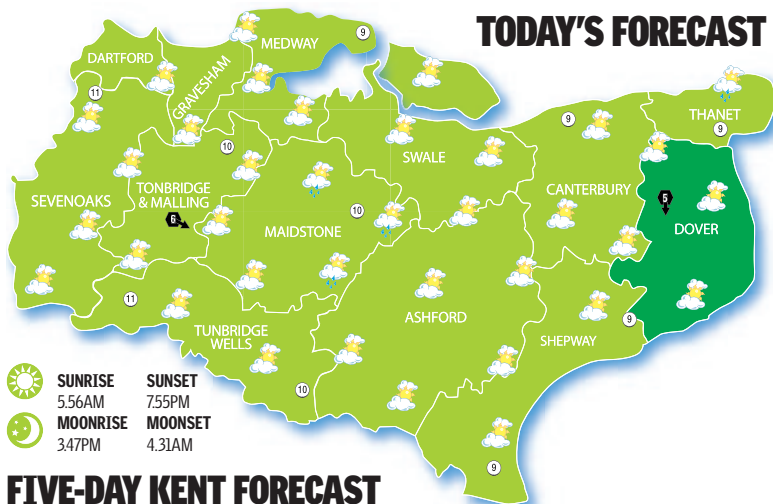
## WEEKEND HIGH TIDES

Chatham	Saturday	11:53am	5.7m
	Sunday	12:39pm	5.8m
Dover	Saturday	10:24am	5.9m
	Sunday	11:01am	6.1m
Dungeness	Saturday	10:09am	6.5m
	Sunday	10:51am	6.9m
Ramsgate	Saturday	10:54am	4.5m
	Sunday	11:31am	4.7m
Sheerness	Saturday	11:42am	5.5m
	Sunday	12:28pm	5.6m
Whitstable	Saturday	12:00pm	5.1m
	Sunday	12:45pm	5.2m



## AROUND THE WORLD YESTERDAY

Amsterdam	11°C	Madrid	15°C
Athens	22°C	New York	12°C
Barcelona	15°C	Paris	8°C
Beijing	25°C	Rome	16°C
Bombay	33°C	Sydney	15°C
Cape Town	25°C	Tenerife	21°C
Cardiff	10°C	Tokyo	13°C
Gibraltar	18°C	Vancouver	12°C
Hong Kong	26°C	Warsaw	18°C
Las Palmas	22°C	Wellington	17°C



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**MOONSET**  
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## FIVE-DAY KENT FORECAST

	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon		Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Ashford	12°C	12°C	11°C	13°C	17°C	Gravesend	12°C	11°C	11°C	13°C	14°C
Canterbury	10°C	10°C	11°C	13°C	14°C	Maidstone	12°C	11°C	11°C	13°C	14°C
Chatham	10°C	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C	Ramsgate	10°C	10°C	11°C	13°C	14°C
Dartford	12°C	11°C	11°C	13°C	14°C	Rochester	10°C	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C
Dover	9°C	9°C	10°C	11°C	11°C	Sevenoaks	10°C	10°C	10°C	12°C	13°C
Faversham	10°C	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C	Sittingbourne	10°C	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C
Folkestone	9°C	9°C	10°C	11°C	11°C	Tonbridge	12°C	11°C	11°C	12°C	14°C
Gillingham	10°C	9°C	10°C	13°C	13°C	Tun Wells	12°C	11°C	11°C	12°C	14°C

## Coastguard prepare for second strike

STAFF from the operations room at Dover Coastguard have taken part in more strike action in a continuous row over low pay.

Employees lined up outside the coastguard building in Swingate on April 11, following a lack of progress by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency since their last strike.

Paul Smith from the Public and Commercial Services Union joined strikers and spoke to yourdover about why a pay rise is so important to them: "Our union members are taking their second ever strike in the history of the coastguard agency."

"The underlying issue is the difference between what our members are paid in comparison to other blue light emergency services. "Our emergency control staff earn anything up to £4,000 less than comparable operatives in other control rooms. This can't go on."

Tony Chester, a Dover Coastguard watch manager, said: "We don't want to inconvenience anyone but if management don't listen then we need to demonstrate."

"As well as the strike action we're only carrying out emergency work for four days prior to the strike. We normally speak to the public on a daily basis about things like weather and tides but at the moment we are not."

Despite industrial action last month, nothing has been heard from the MCA about whether a basic coastguard's pay, of just above the minimum wage, will increase.

Mr Smith said: "None of the members are greedy. They feel passionately about their jobs. But pay levels have always fallen significantly low in this job."

In a statement released last week the MCA said they were "greatly disappointed" by the need to strike.

It read: "The MCA remain concerned by this unnecessary action and would encourage the unions to return to the negotiating table at the very earliest opportunity."

Further strike action is set to take place on April 23 beginning at 7pm.

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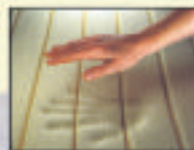


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## QUESTION & ANSWER

### BOB GOLDFIELD



**Q** Who or what brought you to Dover?

**A** I was the airport director at Shannon International Airport on the west coast of Ireland, totally enjoying my job and with no plans to leave. I saw the advertisement for the Dover CEO post and was immediately attracted. What attracted me were the obvious comparisons between Dover Port's operations and an airport environment, but also Dover's importance in the economic life of the nation. No other port would have attracted me in that way, only Dover with its unique blend of frequent operations and volume of customers. In many ways it was also the port's place in the local community. Coming from a regional airport background, I had always been intimately involved in community impacts and issues and how a local and regional asset can be maximised for the good on the community as a whole.

**Q** How different is it working for a port compared with an airport?

**A** The work is different and also similar. Different in that the structure of the organisation differs. In Shannon we were part of a large international group, whereas Dover sits alone. Shannon was part of a fast changing and comparatively young industry with a short history. Dover is clearly part of a maritime tradition stretching back many hundreds of years and an industry that moves at a different pace to aviation. In terms of business and commercial challenges and disciplines they are the same.

**Q** What is your favourite thing about being Chief Executive of Dover Harbour Board?

**A** Without a doubt my favourite part of my job is managing a large business successfully and giving it a strategic direction and guidance to achieve a longer term vision and set of objectives, clearly articulated. Another is the engagement we have with our stakeholders and being able to make a difference. I can have an idea and bring it to fruition, for the benefit of the organisation and its community and that, for any CEO, is the main driver for job satisfaction.

**Q** Are there any parts of the job that you find particularly difficult?

**A** Being the CEO of any organisation is never easy as your actions and decisions influence and impact so many people and I would be lying if I didn't say that I feel the responsibility of managing this great port heavily. However, I have a great team of colleagues that are very knowledgeable and professional and I manage to sleep well at night.

**Q** What do you think the expansion of the Western Docks in Dover will bring to the district?

**A** I truly feel that we are at a defining moment in history for the port and the town. We have a once in several lifetimes opportunity to revitalise both in a way never seen before. For the port it will mean a quantum change in size and complexity, a chance to address some long running operational problems and the opportunity to secure the future. For the town and district it

will be the catalyst that finally kick-starts the long overdue regeneration that we so sorely need. We must not let this chance pass us by.

**Q** What is your favourite thing about the area?

**A** My favourite thing about the area is its connectivity. In my working life I have never lived in a place that is so well connected to the rest of the UK and to the continent. It is a pleasure that few who have lived here a long time appreciate.

**Q** Is there anything you don't like about Dover?

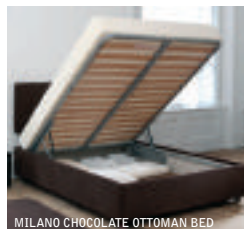
**A** No. I do miss the mountains, and we have few of those in Kent, however, the sea makes up for some of that feeling.

**Q** What do you do outside of working at the port?

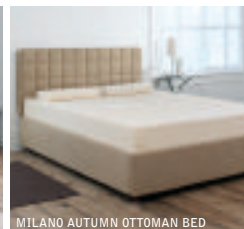
**A** I am a board member of SEEDA, the Regional Development Agency. I am also a member of Kent Partnership and the Kent Economic Board. I also sit on the newly established Thames Gateway Regeneration Committee of RDAs. I have been for the past three years a Special Advisor to PORTECH, owned and operated by the Port of Shanghai in China. In what spare time I do have, I am a doctoral researcher in management at Bournemouth University, Institute of Business and Law and I fly a syndicated private aircraft from Lydd on good weather days.

**Q&A**

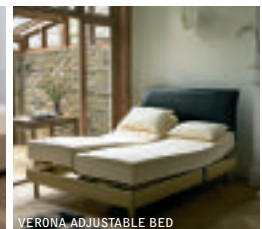
Bob Goldfield is chief executive at Dover Harbour Board. He talks to **Marijke Cox** about his responsibilities at the port and how we must not let the opportunity of Dover's future regeneration pass us by



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# Rural policing now a priority says top cop

BY ED HILL

THE county's police chief has vowed to ease the fears of those living in rural areas amid claims they feel "isolated" by lack of adequate policing.

Kent's chief constable Michael Fuller pledged to ensure rural policing was a priority for the force at a special conference staged last week dedicated to the issue.

Joined by a panel of experts, the event at the Ashford International Hotel was designed to give local groups from across the county the chance to speak face-to-face with police officers and address their concerns.

Mr Fuller said: "We have made a big commitment to policing in rural communities. We want people in the country to feel they are getting the same level of policing as those in the urban areas.

### Isolated

"I understand people [who live] in the country may feel isolated at times. One of our aims is to deal with that feeling of isolation.

"Every neighbourhood is going to have a named point of contact, whether that is a police officer or a PCSO or community warden. They can speak to them if they have a problem that is affecting their quality of life in the area."

But Mr Fuller said he recognised the force needs to improve the quality of service that it gives the public in general.

He said: "There are ways that we know we can improve. Communication with the public is very important. People who ring us with a problem need to be kept updated with how our investigations are going."

He also said the victims of crime need to be supported more by the police.

The conference was chaired by Ann Barnes of the Kent Police Authority who said the conference allowed those living in the country to engage with the force.



**TASK FORCE:** Ann Barnes of the Kent Police Authority (second left) and Kent's police chief Mike Fuller (second right) flanked by Kelly Greenwood and Nigel Freeman, discussed the issues facing rural policing across Kent

She said: "I have a vested interest myself because I come from a rural community, the Elham Valley.

"We have different policing issues compared to people in the towns. From the police authority's point of view it is important to ensure that the taxpayers of Kent are getting value for money."

However, Mrs Barnes said that often the police were blamed for problems that were not their responsibility.

She said: "Many of the issues are ones we have everywhere.

"Things like rubbish, graffiti and anti-social

behaviour. These are really community issues." She also admitted police resources were limited, saying: "We only have a certain amount of money and that does get spread quite thinly at times.

"We need to make sure the police's priorities are local people's priorities as well. We can't do things for all people all the time, we just do not have the resources.

"The message that's really coming out of this conference is that we all have to work together, the police, councils, the community – we have to combine to make life a little bit better in our local communities."

## Company snaps up green award

A GREEN renewable energy firm has won the top prize of £20,000 after winning this year's Kent Innovation Challenge.

The competition is an annual hunt for the county's brightest entrepreneurs and most innovative businesses, and is supported by KOS Media – publishers of this newspaper.

This year's winner was Canterbury-based firm Oil Drum Limited – which won the gong through its use of a complex process which increases fuel efficiency in commercial vehicles while simultaneously reducing the level of gas emissions from the engines.

Formed in 2006 by Darryl Watts, it won £20,000 in cash, free rent for a one year at the Canterbury Enterprise Hub, free business and banking support from NatWest for 18 months, up to ten days free business mentoring from Business Link Kent, plus £5,000 of legal support and the production of a corporate video.

David Butler, director of Canterbury Enterprise Hub, said: "The team at Oil Drum Limited is a dynamic example of how entrepreneurs can use innovative ideas for the benefit of the environment – they well and truly deserve this award."

## Prosser signs motion against rate abolition

MP GWYN PROSSER has signed a Parliamentary Motion opposing the ten per cent rate abolition.

But Tory Charlie Elphicke, who will contest Mr Prosser's Dover and Deal seat at the next General Election, hopes he will further his support by voting in Parliament against the changes to the tax band.

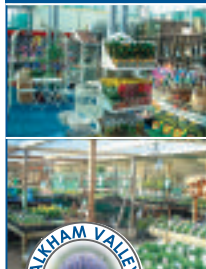
Mr Elphicke said: "I was delighted to see that Mr Prosser recently signed a Parliamentary Motion opposing the changes.

"Yet to make a real difference he will need to vote shortly against the actual changes in the Finance Bill. The poorest in our communities are already hard-pressed by rising prices and the credit crunch. There just isn't room to pay this extra on top."

If it goes ahead and changes take place, people earning up to £18,000 will pay more tax and 5.3 million people will lose out, including 5,000 who live in the district.

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# Home and work is where war on superbugs begins

■ BY JENNA PUDELEK

WITH a growing number of people carrying MRSA on their skin and the threat of more virulent strains arriving from the US more focus needs to be put on hygiene in homes and workplaces, experts have warned.

The Government's 'deep cleaning' programme will not help tackle superbugs alone – to get MRSA under control the killer infection must be stopped in the community and people's homes, according to a professor at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

KOS Media's campaign to improve and raise awareness about hand hygiene in Kent homes and workplaces, as well as in hospitals and healthcare centres, is backed-up by the report.

The award-winning publishers have been working alongside the NHS in the county to help in the fight against superbugs after 90 patients in west Kent died from Clostridium difficile during one of the worst outbreaks of the infectious diarrhoea bug in the country.

## Measures

Professor Sally Bloomfield said: "This is not about shifting blame. Hospitals are now diverting huge resources towards controlling these infections, which they would prefer to spend on delivering the level of healthcare which we now all expect.

"But it is important to stress that controlling MRSA is not about obsessive 'deep cleaning' of our homes. It is about applying simple hygiene measures."

She said the "key super highways" for the spread of MRSA are the hands, as well as surfaces that come into contact with our hands, cleaning cloths and other utensils.

Regular hand washing or using alcohol gel and disinfecting areas such as door handles, taps, telephones and computer keyboards is essential, she said.



Currently around two per cent of people carry MRSA on their skin and Ms Bloomfield said this figure was increasing.

In America a new strain of community-associated MRSA is proving a big challenge because it is harder to treat and as its name suggests, is affecting people outside of healthcare environments.

This strain is not yet common in the UK, but could be the next challenge to face the NHS after a more severe strain of C diff crossed the Atlantic in 2004.

Dr James Nash, a consultant microbiologist and director of infection control and prevention for East Kent NHS Hospitals Trust, agreed that more focus is needed to improve hygiene in the home – particularly getting people to wash their hands after using the toilet and before eating.

But he said homes in the UK were not yet a significant source of MRSA, although that could change in the future if the American strains become more prevalent.

**Ms Bloomfield suggests that family members should not share towels and face cloths.**

Mr Nash said: "One has to strike a balance and I think it is impractical to expect that we can protect ourselves from exposure to bacteria carried by our partners."

Asked whether similar attention to home hygiene would help tackle C diff, an infection where exposure to antibiotics is the major risk factor, he said: "Yes, but nevertheless it is an infection that spreads when the environment



**IN OUR HANDS:** Dr James Nash says washing your hands kills bacteria that causes C diff... and saves lives becomes contaminated and when contacts of patients fail to protect themselves and others by hand washing."

Ms Bloomfield added: "If we can reduce the number of people carrying MRSA as part of their normal body flora, we can limit the number of 'carriers' entering hospital as patients [or visitors] – who then either get an MRSA infection themselves or pass it on to other patients."

The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine is part of the University of London and is internationally recognised as a centre of excellence in public health.

## Who has the most funds for charity?

JUST days are left in the search for 'Britain's Most Inspiring Fundraiser'.

If you know someone in Kent who deserves recognition or you are involved in helping raise funds for a charity, then Friday is the deadline for entries.

Charity search engine Everyclick.com is calling on people across the county to recognise the exceptional fundraising efforts of locals and take this opportunity to share their stories.

The UK-wide competition is being held in memory of renowned fundraiser Jane Tomlinson and the winner will receive £20,000 for their chosen charity.

Jane raised more than £1.75 million for cancer charities through a series of gruelling physical challenges whilst battling breast cancer herself.

Nicole Dryburgh, from Whistable, has already been nominated for her fundraising efforts for Demelza House and Kings College Hospital.

A spokesman for the organisers said: "Nicole is blind and uses a wheelchair. These disabilities were due to a malignant tumour she had on her spine.

"She was 13 when the tumour started and had a major fit due to it and the severity of the cancer gave her only months to live. She chose to fight and has done so for five years."

Nicole added: "They are all charities that helped me. I want to give something back."

## More rail users hop on board for Europe

EUROSTAR has reported a big increase in passengers since the opening of the new Ebbsfleet International Station.

But bosses have refused to reveal figures for the number of passengers using its Ebbsfleet and Ashford stations.

The Channel Tunnel rail operator has reported a 25 per cent increase in revenue in the first quarter of 2008, with passengers up 21 per cent.

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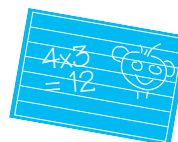
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Local butchers J C Rook and Sons are now stocking them along with Costcutters in Dover, who will be selling them when their shop is fully refurbished.

Jack Williams, chair of the GFG, said: "I'm delighted with the progress and for local businesses to take a risk and support a group of students is a really fantastic thing."

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## Good recognition

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** After 50 years Walmer Science College is still going strong – it originally opened as Walmer Secondary School back in April 1958

# Celebrating 50 years of high school learning

■ BY MARIJKE COX

WALMER Science College is celebrating its 50th anniversary this month by opening its doors to members of the public.

The school, which opened on April 24, 1958, as Walmer Secondary School, has organised an open day on Monday, April 21, from 1.30-5pm, for people to see how much it has changed.

Tours will be run by current students and guests will be able to see a large display of photographs, articles and other memorabilia.

Paul Ridings, the former deputy headteacher, has been collecting together material for the displays from ex-staff and pupils.

He said: "The response we've had has been excellent."

"There is obviously a considerable amount of

affection for the school from those who have had an association with Walmer in the past.

"We've been contacted by large numbers of ex-staff, students and parents who have provided an extensive range of photographs and other items from the day the school opened up until recent times."

"I have particularly enjoyed sitting down and hearing stories of a number of staff and students who were at the school when it opened."

"Any visitors who come along will be made very welcome and perhaps be able to identify faces and events that research has so far been unable to identify."

Simon Heaton, headteacher since 2006, is

looking forward to meeting people who are part of the school's history.

He said: "We hope that many people will visit to help us celebrate the anniversary and contrast the 1958 school with the school as it is now."

"We hope to welcome ex-students, teachers and parents from all eras, as well as anyone in the community who would like to come along."

"The day has been chosen as close as possible to the actual day 50 years ago when the school opened its doors to students from the community for the first time."

"We hope people will come along and take the opportunity to reminisce and renew old acquaintances as well as see the school in action. We very much welcome the community in helping us celebrate this important anniversary."

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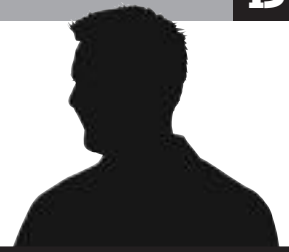
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## Garden is driving towards losing more green spaces

VILLAGERS in Aldington are about to enjoy the first slice of a new diet set to sweep through the M20 corridor to Dover.

It's called the 'Salami Diet' and other communities will soon be suffering the high blood pressure it brings unless Aldington fights its corner successfully and its NIMBY neighbours lend a hand.

Because, once that lorry park is built then it will be so much easier for the Government, the county council and Shepway and Ashford council planners to slice up neighbouring land – a precedent will have been set.

We will see a deluge of plans then for what the marketing gurus involved will surely describe as "vital to the future of the bustling port of Dover, the Channel Tunnel and the UK's ever-stronger ties with the European Community."

Such rhetoric will herald light industry, warehousing, storage for car imports, retail outlets – as if this credit-crippled nation has not already OD'ed on that – and other eyesores and sources of light pollution scarring the heart of what, you might recall, was

known as the Garden of England. Ironically, it is once proud upholders of that title who will hasten this betrayal; the lone voice of support at the recent lorry park action meeting in Aldington was the farmer who owns the land picked for the development.

Other owners of hitherto almost worthless local agricultural land must feel a bit like lottery winners. Who can blame them for taking the money and running, though? Farmers have been consistently betrayed by the powers that be, and now residents in Aldington and other well-balanced M20 corridor communities – Tory enclaves that Gordon Brown's Politbureau would be happy to destroy – will feel the same politically cold shoulder.

Nobody can dispute the case for relieving the bottleneck caused by disruption at Dover, but must the local community bear the burden?

And would the unregulated truckers of Eastern Europe pay to use lorry parking when they have the free use of lay-bys and unofficial truck stops such as the Orbital Park, Ashford? By the way, if you want some fun, nip down

to Ashford Market on a weekend and watch the chaos as the market car park overflows.

You won't see UK trucks there though because they know the police and the councils will hound them through the courts, while the authorities and the Poles, Czechs and Lithuanians etc know only too well that summonses and fines self-destruct at Dover.

But it is about time that those who earn their living clogging up our roads starting paying something towards it. If they want to run their trucks here then they should be made to buy fuel at 'Darling diesel' prices, pay a tax or levy towards facilities such as lorry parking – across the UK – and generally pay for the mess and disruption they cause through using Dover and the Channel Tunnel.

I'm betting that the sort of problems suffered by Kent residents would not be tolerated by their stropplier French counterparts.

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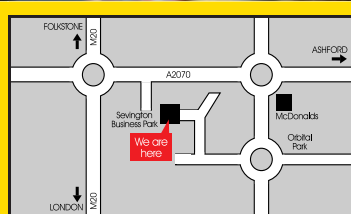
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## TALK TIME

### CHRISTINE GIST

Christine Gist is a partner at Dover Arts Development. She talks to Yourdover about what art means for the district



**Who or what brought you to the Dover district?**

I moved to Deal in 1994 attracted by affordable housing, ease of access to mainland Europe and having the opportunity to live by the sea.

**Have you always been involved in the world of art?**

Yes, both as a practising artist and curator. I graduated in 1983 from Yale University School of Art with an MFA in sculpture and then was involved in many artist-led projects in New York and Connecticut. After returning to Europe in 1989, I was curator for Kent Institute of Art & Design (now University College for the Creative Arts - UCCA) for 11 years. Since 2000 I've worked independently initiating projects in the South East region and mainland Europe.

**What do think the Dover Arts Development project Transmit/Transmettre will bring to Dover?**

Firstly it's important that the project is seen as a cultural resource for residents and visitors across the Dover district and East Kent. By locating contemporary art within heritage sites, outside the gallery and museum spaces, it aims to offer a new way of looking at art and heritage. DAD also hopes that Transmit/Transmettre will position Dover district as a location to access innovative and high quality work. It's also relevant to note that this cross-border collaboration began with our French partners in 2005 because Deal and Saint-Omer are twin towns and I wanted to emphasise those links.

**If there was anything you could change in the Dover district, what would it be?**

Through DAD we are changing the contemporary arts culture in the Dover district. However, the district also has many talented musicians but very few performance venues. I'd like to see accessible spaces in both Deal and Dover which could be used by both visual artists and musicians. Apart from the arts focus, I wouldn't want to change anything.

## YOUR LETTERS

### Well done Dover for promotion

Well done to Dover FC for promotion to the Ryman Premier League. It has been a season to remember for Andy Hesselthaler and the boys, so well done to everyone.

Next, let's hope for more than a season of consolidation.

A run at the title is not beyond the realms of possibility.

Jerry Polson  
Dover

### A self-fulfilling prophecy

Why is everyone so gloomy about economic prospects as you reported last week?

These forecasters who go on about how things are looking so bad are the same people as those who actually operate as opinion formers in the business.

So if they stopped being so negative maybe the rest of us would act to stop any recession by keeping on spending and using services

Maya Roberts  
Deal

### Running cancer out of men's lives

I write to urge runners of all abilities to help fund the fight against testicular and prostate cancer by taking part in the Edinburgh Marathon for the Everyman Male Cancer Campaign.

Everyman is a Silver Charity partner for the 2008 Edinburgh



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Marathon, staged on Sunday, May 25, and still has places available in both the full

marathon and the Hairy Haggis Team Relay. The Edinburgh Marathon is a

fantastic opportunity to get fit and raise money for a very deserving cause.

There are more than 37,000 cases of male cancer every year in the UK. Everyman needs your support to continue its vital research into testicular and prostate cancer.

By putting on your running shoes for Everyman you're not just crossing the finish line, you're helping to cross out male cancer.

The event is not just for hardened marathon runners: the Hairy Haggis Relay offers entrants the chance to team up with three friends to run the marathon in four individual stages.

The Edinburgh Marathon is not only a great way to fundraise but also provides you with the chance to get fit for a good cause.

Edinburgh is a fantastic city and the Hairy Haggis Relay means you don't have to take on the 26.2 miles by yourself.

All money raised will help its scientists continue their groundbreaking research into prostate and testicular cancer at the Everyman Centre.

For a place on the team or for further information on the Edinburgh Marathon please contact Joanna Wallis at Everyman on 0800 731 9468 or email [joanna.wallis@icr.ac.uk](mailto:joanna.wallis@icr.ac.uk) before Friday.

Lorraine Kelly,  
GMTV presenter  
by email

## Glitterati launch town's future

The launch of the MSC Poesia is another example of why Dover is an up-and-coming place.

There was a good selection of the glitterati on display - along with Yourdover's correspondent obviously - and the fact that the

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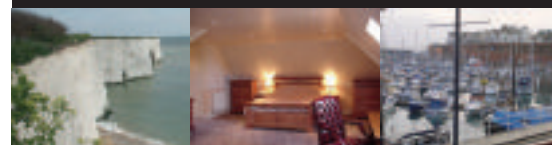
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town was chosen for such an honour obviously says something.  
Let's hope this is the first of many occasions where our town hosts a world class event.

Roy Houseman  
Dover

## Mayor gives due where deserved

It is good to see the mayor of Dover Bob Markham paying tribute to the deposed mayor of Calais Jacky Henin, who recently lost his position as the French town's figurehead.

M Henin's policies on immigration of actually putting the interests of refugees and asylum seekers on the map were a welcome antidote to the usual outpouring of vitriol about them on both sides of the channel.

So full marks to Cllr Markham for recognising his commitment and contributions.

Antony Hamilton  
Deal

## Bookmarking a worthwhile event

It was good to see in last week's paper that a National Year of Reading is being publicised in our schools.

With the continual presence of computers, DVDs and TVs it is welcome to once again see people advocating the simple joy of turning to a book.

Mary Miles  
Deal

## Tate'll do nicely on Doctor Who

In last week's letters page one of your contributors had the nerve to criticise Dr Who actress Catherine Tate despite having not seen her in the new series.

Despite a ludicrous plot and aliens clearly designed for the cuddly toy Christmas market I thought she was very good and stole quite a few scenes from the Doctor himself. So well done - I'll be bovered enough to watch next week as well.

Howard Perks  
Dover

## Catherine Tate has ruined the show

What a waste of space Catherine Tate is in Dr Who. Why do the BBC have to spoil this excellent show with her ranting a raving.

Her continual questioning of David Tennant's excellent doctor is making what used to be a good show almost unwatchable.

Why does whoever is responsible feel the need to have this woman and her "feisty" nature ruin it all?

Fiona Miller  
Deal

## Baffled by changes in the weather

The weather has got me completely baffled at the moment. On Saturday I set out in bright sunlight to watch

Kent's opening game of the season. When I approached Canterbury I could see that it was set to rain, but the clouds lifted and it didn't.

Instead the wind started to blow even though it was quite bright.

Then a short shower started, lasting just enough time for the players to think about leaving the field before it blew over. Sunlight followed for 10 minutes, before the clouds returned - accompanied by giant hailstones which put an end to the game. A whole month's weather in just an hour.

Steve Jordan  
by email

## Help yourself to beat the risks of disease

Despite the recent news coverage about the link between lifestyle and cancer, research shows there is still a lack of awareness about how we can make positive choices to reduce our cancer risk.

For example, only half of people are aware that being overweight increases cancer risk and less than a third know that eating processed meat is a cause of cancer.

I am writing to let your readers know that choosing a healthy lifestyle can make a real difference to their risk of developing cancer. In fact, scientists estimate that about a third of cancers could be prevented just through healthy eating, regular physical activity and being a healthy weight.

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Lisa Cooney, head of education for the World Cancer Research Fund  
by email

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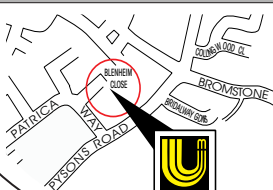
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Old Possum's *Book of Practical Cats* was a favourite book of Lloyd Webber's as a child and he began writing the musical in 1977, originally envisaging it as a concert anthology. But when TS Eliot's wife showed him unpublished poems that suggested a more defined storyline, he enlisted the help of Trevor Nunn and they set about creating the musical.

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Sunday, April 20  
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not buy his first guitar until he was in his late 20s.

It was meeting musicians John Cephas and John Jackson in 1985 that prompted Roach to take up the guitar. They were happy to teach him their craft. Over the years he learned more from other artists, including jazz guitar player Bill Harris, and performers at festivals.

Roach moved to Britain for family reasons and his presence has had a profound effect on British blues artists. He has lectured and conducted workshops at esteemed institutions in the US, UK and France, presented a Radio 4 series about blues and founded the European Blues Association.

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The leads are played by TV and theatre star Jonathan Wilkes and Natalie Casey,

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## DOVER LEISURE

### Collaboration brings art across the Channel

ARTISTIC organisations from both sides of the Channel have collaborated to create a new exhibition at Dover, Deal and Walmer Castles.

Contemporary art from the south east of England and northern France is on display in the Transmettre/Transmit exhibition, organised by Dover Arts Development and Espace 36, Saint-Omer.

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### Pick up some unusual collectables at fair

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## Growing new musical talent down on the mushroom farm

BY MARIJKE COX

A MUSHROOM farm may not be the first place you think of as a potential dream factory for some of the freshest musical talent.

But lurking among a number of units on the site of the fungi firm in Bilting – between Ashford and Canterbury – is Diverse Music; a music studio offering the chance for musicians and performers to lay down the tracks they hope will catapult them to stardom.

The company, set up in 2003 by Malissa Whitehouse and Tony Mathew, has supported a long list of successful artists and boasts a recording studio facility. Its creators have worked with a number of top names – such as Kylie Minogue and Jamelia – and have been in the business for years.

Malissa said: "By setting up in Kent we're giving local people the chance to improve their skill, whether they're a musician or singer, and give them an outlet so they can come and record."

"Before we moved here Tony and I were working on a number of freelance projects and thought it would be great to have our own facility in Kent, especially with all the activity here. Since we've done that it's become a hub for musicians and we've attracted many good new bands and artists. Some of them are now going forward to talk to record companies."

As well as providing guidance and facilities for up and coming artists, the team at Diverse Music also has plans for open audition sessions later in the year.

Malissa said: "They will be carried out over a few days and we'll whittle it down to a select-



**FOR THE RECORD:** The Diverse Music team are Malissa Whitehouse and Tony Mathew. Friction, pictured right, are Johnny Wright, Neil Painter and Dave Stanton

ed few who can then feature on some of the big productions that we do."

A music boot camp is also being set up for the summer months, where local talent can develop their skills with the help of the production team.

### Sessions

Along with plans for the future, the team have continued with a popular feature called Pop Sessions, which initially helped fund the company. Especially popular with hen and stag parties, the service allows people to gain access to a top London studio and record a song of their choice.

Among the many up and coming artists working with the Diverse Music team, is the already popular boy band Friction who have just been signed by management production company Famecity.

Made up of Birmingham lads Dave Stanton, 22, Neil Painter, 22, and Johnny Wright, 21, their music incorporates pop and R&B.



Friction have been spending time at the studio recording their single Kinda Strange, written by Malissa and produced by Tony.

Dave said: "We've been going for seven years and had interest from people who've sold millions of records."

"We've been offered deals that just haven't suited us or worked out so we're pleased we are where we are now, doing what we love."

Neil said: "The path we've chosen has led us to where we are and we appreciate what we have now because of what we've been through. We've had good times and bad, which is actually a good thing because we can draw from our experiences."

Johnny said: "We're trying a lot of different

sounds at the moment but our hearts are really into R&B and pop."

"People are crying out for a UK R&B act. If you look at the charts it's all been American artists so it's good to be doing this in the UK."

Malissa and Tony have been working closely with the band who they believe will go far.

As well as R&B and pop, the company invites all types of artist to come in and see them. Malissa said: "Most production companies specialise in just pop or rock but we're very diverse, hence Diverse Music, so anyone who thinks they have talent should contact us."

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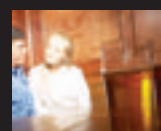
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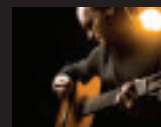
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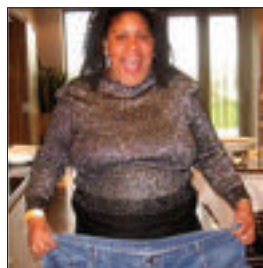
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# Eco-friendly relaxation

BY GABRIELLE FAGAN

THERE are some things you definitely don't need on holiday; an email from the office asking you to return urgently, a tummy bug or bad weather, particularly if you have children.

But one peculiarly modern ailment is increasingly difficult to dodge – eco guilt. In particular the question “Am I wrecking the place for the locals who actually live here?”

Our preoccupation with the planet and all things green means if you're aware of conservation at home you can ruin your eco 'street cred' by leaving a huge carbon footprint in your holiday wake.

Thankfully, there's no need to restrict yourself and your family to a self-catering tent on a UK beach: a green wind of change is blowing through the world of luxury travel. It's now possible to find resorts which are a fusion of eco-sensitivity, where you can relax confident your impact on the environment is minimal.

Plenty awaits travellers to Thailand, now fully recovered from the tsunami and boasting new environmentally friendly destinations.

One new eco-resort is on a tiny, unspoilt west coast island called Yao Noi – in English this means 'little island'. At its heart, the new Six Senses Hideaway harmonises so well with its tropical surroundings that it is barely visible



**GREEN:** Forget about your carbon footprint at one of the new eco-resorts to be found in beautiful Thailand

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With some reluctance, I sailed away from my island hideaway, but my next stop, the Rayavadee, fulfilled my 'green' expectations too. This resort also prides itself on harmony with the environment and has won awards for its sensitive eco-conscious development.

A short boat ride from Krabi, in Thailand's southern province, the first sight of Rayavadee at the end of the mountainous peninsula is spectacular. It is fringed by three National Park beaches, and the accommodation – double storey rondavels (circular colonial-style villas) – is artfully tucked away amid this former coconut plantation.

The resort is reminiscent of a Thai village, with meandering paths bordered by streams and swaying palms, and abundant flora and fauna nurtured by its own organically produced fertiliser. Recycled water keeps the surroundings lush during the dry season.

In Thailand I enjoyed privacy, peace and an escape from the world, but best of all, with a clear eco-conscience I could claim that the only footprint I left behind was on the white sand of the beaches.

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## Holiday details

Gabrielle Fagan was a guest of long-haul specialist Hayes & Jarvis.

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## YOUR TV REVIEW



GRAPHIC: AI graphics make Headcases worth a watch, with the princes especially well rendered

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"PC ROBINSON is about to cut short the men's Happy Meal!"  
Now if that's not a threat then I don't know what is.

Nevertheless, a crime's a crime and narrator Jamie Theakston – in his best long-arm-of-the-law voice – tried valiantly to inject some semblance of drama into *Traffic Cops*, the latest fly-on-the-wall show. Yep, the Boys in Blue are charging around in their Skoda Octavias, tracking down rapscallion, lawnmower thieves to the nearest McDonald's drive-thru. It's hardly *Starsky and Hutch*, but I guess you're only as good as your criminals.

Meanwhile, it was slapping hand on forehead time when I heard ITV were to resurrect the spirit of *Spitting Image* for a second time.

I've fond memories of the daddy of all lampoon shows from my youth and teen years but hated 2DTV, the previous stab at this kind of Sunday satire.

So I tuned in to *Headcases* with notepad in hand and a freshly-sharpened pencil looking like a member of the *Traffic Cops* ready to take down

BY TOM BETTS

the show's particulars.

The bad news is it doesn't match up to the puppets which, when on target, were peerless.

It also goes over a lot of old ground as too much time is devoted to Posh and Becks, who Alastair MacGowan and Ronni Ancona did to death years ago. Add that to the fact political correctness dictates just how close to the bone shows like this can actually cut and it could have been a disaster.

But, with all that in mind, this isn't half bad and worth a look as you lie in bed trying to stave off Monday morning for just that half hour longer.

Sketches involving Daniel Craig and Piers Morgan all scored points while the send-up of Dames Judi Dench and Helen Mirren had a lot of charm. But the real selling point here is the animation, which is A1.

Computer wizardry has come far in the space of a decade and some of the visuals are excellent. Particularly well rendered are Princes William and Harry and Jeremy Clarkson.

It's no classic, but from the channel that's given us Adrian Edmonson's embarrassing dad "comedy" *Teenage Kicks*, it's a step in the right direction.

## YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



**AQUARIUS** (Jan 21-Feb 19)

**YOU'LL** be on the move for most of the week, which is just how you like it. Give more thought to domestic pursuits before the weekend. Spending time with your nearest and dearest will prove deeply satisfying making this a good time to introduce new plans to the family.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aquarius** 09067-531762



**PISCES** (Feb 20-Mar 20)

**THIS** is the final week in a profitable month-long cycle so be sure to take make the most of it. It may not be wise to give a friend a generous loan, as this person may have no intention of paying you back. A flirtatious conversation with a love interest makes your spirits soar.

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**TAURUS** (Apr 21-May 21)

**KEEPING** a low profile will help you work toward some career goals. Put together a portfolio of your creative work. Don't hesitate to work as an intern or volunteer as a means to get your foot in the door of a great organisation. You could get a chance to show off your abilities.

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**GEMINI** (May 22-Jun 22)

**BEING** a team player will yield better results than going solo. You could get a big boost from an expert who is willing to share their knowledge with you, so be sure to listen when dealing with this person. Spending more time at home will be a welcome change.

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**LEO** (Jul 24-Aug 23)

**VENTURING** into unknown territory will be good for you. This decision could open exciting new doors you never even knew existed. Don't assume a colleague will follow through on a promise to do an assignment. You're better off handling this job yourself.

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**VIRGO** (Aug 24-Sep 23)

**YOUR** powers of persuasion are red hot, so why not use them? Don't pretend to know more than you do about an obscure subject. If you're looking for a new job or role now is the time to rally your ideas and organise your supporters with tact, diplomacy and ruthless efficiency.

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**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)

**YOU'LL** be very busy at work, which is just the way you like it. It's possible you will be even more productive if you work from home. Ask your boss if you can swing such an arrangement. A close business or romantic relationship gives you the courage to make a big change.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Scorpio** 09067-531759



**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov 23-Dec 21)

**YOUR** creative juices will flow like a mighty river, attracting plenty of romantic attention. You've got your eye on an idealistic dreamer who has a gift with words. If you're already in a relationship, take this opportunity to pen a love letter to your partner.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Sagittarius** 09067-531760



**ARIES** (Mar 21-Apr 20)

**THE** beginning of the week will be filled with social pursuits. Nothing lifts your spirits like mingling with a big crowd. You could be handed an important work project towards the end of the week. It's wise to negotiate for a raise or bonus.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Aries** 09067-531752



**CANCER** (Jun 23-Jul 23)

**YOUR** star will continue to rise at work this week. Your employer may fund a course that will add to your qualifications and expertise. Getting this career boost for free is an opportunity you can't afford to miss. If you are given a choice between a flat salary or commission, pick the latter.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Cancer** 09067-531755



**LIBRA** (Sep 24-Oct 23)

**YOU'VE** always been very attentive to your nearest and dearest and this week is no exception. Wining and dining the object of your affection will result in a blissful evening together. Follow a hunch about an investment. It could provide you with long term financial security.

• To find out more about what the stars have in store call Russell on **Libra** 09067-531758



**CAPRICORN** (Dec 22-Jan 20)

**MAKING** improvements to your lifestyle is long overdue, but be prepared to spend a little more cash than you think. Don't expect too much of an impulsive relative. They may promise more than they can deliver. If you're looking for love, you could find it at a dinner party.

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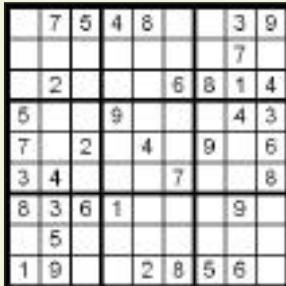
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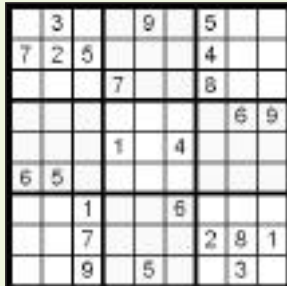
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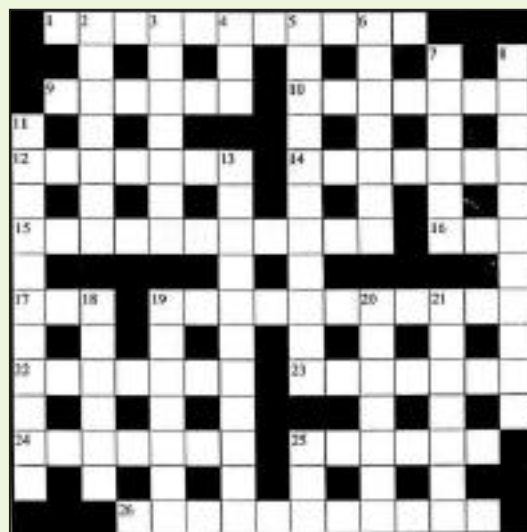
#### ACROSS

- 1 Boxer lacking in solemnity? (11)
- 9 Incarnation of Virginia taken in by a sailor (6)
- 10 I replace nothing in astronomer's last name (7)
- 12 Lady found protection on the pond (4,3)
- 14 Found in some drinks cool Hal mixed (7)
- 15 Past it in the next valley? (4,3,4)
- 16 Small unfinished container (3)
- 17 Presumed to include the lot (3)
- 19 Soldiers suspect sailor, the Parisian to be feared (11)
- 22 So I trot round for the dish (7)
- 23 Triangle existing always? (7)
- 24 Permanent living (7)
- 25 One or other of three I confused! (6)
- 26 Rose, if upset, becomes troublesome (11)

#### DOWN

- 2 Occupy fully as it's endlessly complicated (7)
- 3 Popular nightclub a place of high radioactivity (3,4)
- 4 Beware conflict therein (3)
- 5 Intrigued at remarkable ungratefulness (11)
- 6 He left one state going round and round (7)
- 7 Out-of-date item of headwear (3,3)
- 8 Old instrument at one time used by learners putting ring on another instrument (11)
- 11 Red River (11)
- 13 Nothing to fear from battleship (11)
- 18 Mother's contract for resin (6)
- 19 Part of the ship's rigging behind Pied Piper! (7)
- 20 Chirpy speaker? (7)
- 21 In addition dandy went round for a ribbon (7)
- 25 Being selfishly contained (3)

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### QUICK CLUES

#### ACROSS

- 1 Document carrier (7-4)
- 9 For the time being (3,3)
- 10 Capital of Kenya (7)
- 12 Rather pale (7)
- 14 Intellectual (7)
- 15 Enlivened (11)
- 16 Whisky (3)
- 17 Equality (3)
- 19 Telephonist's console (11)
- 22 Delay (4-3)
- 23 Capital of Iran (7)
- 24 Hunting cry (5-2)
- 25 Marine (anag.) (6)
- 26 Publicity (11)

#### DOWN

- 2 Stain (7)
- 3 Emmet's home (7)
- 4 Border of cloth (3)
- 5 NE US state (11)
- 6 Took a deep draught (7)
- 7 Attitudiniser (6)
- 8 Discerning the thoughts of another (4-7)
- 11 Yam (5-6)
- 13 Zigzag pattern (11)
- 18 Wrinkle (6)
- 19 Spread out (7)
- 20 West Indian islands (7)
- 21 Publicly accuse (7)
- 25 Rodent (3)

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ACROSS: 1 Saddleback 6 Pass 9 Merit  
10 Face 11 Ache 13 Reconsideration 14  
Abutment 16 Ossify 18 Vestry 19 Acrostic  
22 Cherchez la femme 24 Oath 25 Grab  
26 Unman 27 Stew 28 Receptacle. DOWN:  
1 Samaria 2 Doric 3 Latin America 4  
Befriend 5 Cachet 7 Archivist 8 Sternly 12  
Passion fruit 15 Unsheathe 17 Scalable 18  
Vicious 20 Cleanse 21 Decree 23 Mimic.

### QUICK SOLUTION No32

Bahamas 21 Arraign 25 Rat.  
13 Herringbone 18 Rumpole 19 Spayed 20  
7 Poseur 8 Mind-reading 11 Sweet-potato  
3 Anthill 4 Hem 5 Connecticut 6 Swinged  
Remain 26 Advertising. DOWN:  
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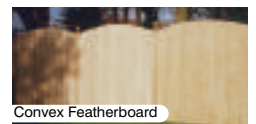
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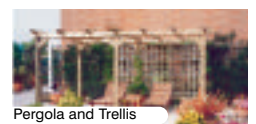
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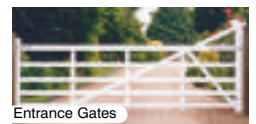
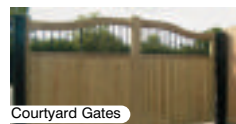
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## WOMEN'S SPOTLIGHT

### NOT AFRAID OF HARD WORK?

Lively female, 26, 5'2", brown hair, green eyes, size 10, single mum, enjoys most things, seeks genuine, laid-back guy, for fun, friendship and romance. Box 426555

### BOOOYAKASHA!

Single mum of 2, 29, bubbly, bright, 5'8", brown hair, green eyes, size 14 and curvy, seeking tall, muscular, outgoing guy for socialising and more. Box 438300

### TAKE ME OUT

Fun, lively female, nearly 30, bored of being single, seeking someone to take me out and show me a good time, petite with dark hair. Box 895349

### HEIGHT-H!

Calling all heights in shining armour! Needing in distress, 30, needs rescuing, I can guarantee love, but can guarantee laughs. Box 894502

### LADY MADONNA

Single Mum of 2, 31, great SOH, works full time, seeking male with GSOH, fun-loving and romantic, for possible relationship. Box 439417

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### UNDER THE BOARDWALK

Black female, 32, 5'8", likes cooking, reading, going out, WLTW a nice man 34-50, down earth and fun to be with, to find out more. Box 426585

### EXPRESSLY YOURS

31yo Chinese girl, 5'4, slim, no children, seeking tall, white, loving, caring, fun, Eastern male for serious relationship. Box 438931

### ALL IN GOOD TIME

Tall, black, pretty female, 31, new to the Chatham area, loves watching football, shopping, travel, seeking tall, white, loving male 34-47 for LTR. Box 437778

### TAKE ME OUT

Single Mum, 32, cuddly larger lady, 5'8", dark brown hair, seeking someone I have fun, a dance, some drinks, meals and more with. Box 438941

### LIVE, LAUGH & LOVE

Lively, attractive female, 32, 5'5", looking to meet that someone special to share life, laughter and love. Box 429124

### EQUESTRIAN OF SPORT!

Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, fun, lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013

### RAMSGATE REVIVAL

Honest, single, outgoing female, 31, 5'11", loves to go out and stay in with good company, drive etc, WLTW similar male, for friendship and more. Box 927816

### CANTERBURY TALE

Single mum of 2, 32, would like to meet someone kind, caring and considerate, for nights in and cinema. Box 426570

### THE TALL GUY?

32-year-old kind, warm female, 5'6", curvy, love walking my dog, cosy nights in, evenings out, WLTW tall, honest, trustworthy male, for friendship. Box 430993

### NO BAGGAGE, SO LET'S PACK!

Hi I'm 33, from Canterbury, non-smoker, as have heart problems, looking to meet someone who's kind, honest, loving and affectionate for romantic times. Box 438785

### TRY NEW THINGS

Mum of 1, 34, blonde hair, slim, young looking, 34yo old, I'm caring, honest, with a GSOH, likes keep-fit, cinema, dancing, days out. Box 431559

### R U THE 1?

Outgoing, funny, young-looking female, 34, 5'8", brown hair/eyes, Tonbridge, seeks caring, loyal male for friendship, leading to more. Box 433107

### ROMANCE IS ALIVE

Divorced, lively mum, 35, GSOH, enjoys time with my family and friends, cinema, good food, beach walks, seeks male for honesty, love and romance. Box 813930

### THE GENTLE LADY

Easilygoing female with GSOH, 36, enjoys many things - going out, staying in, seeking a nice, genuine guy for lots of love and laughter. Box 437913

### SECOND THAT EMOTION!

I'm an attractive, dark-haired female, 36, who enjoys cinema, coffees, theatre and socialising, seeking a fun, caring, considerate, romantic gent, for a chat and more. Box 436807

### PRETTY WOMAN WANTS HER

Hi I'm 37, 5'8", mousy long hair, grey eyes, n's, large bubbly lady, love pubs, country walks, bird-watching, seeking tall, gentle, possibly romantic! Box 435674

### SEIZE THE DAY

Loving female, 36, 5'4", brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

### DON'T PASS ME BY

Curvy, single mum of 4, 38yo old, Kent based, into most things, looking for friendship or possibly romance. Box 897963

### TAKE A CHANCE

Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414159

### NICE AND LOVING

44yo old female, 5'5", brown hair, slim/medium build, enjoys pubs, clubs, if you are out there, give us a ring! Maidstone. Box 413445

### IT'S WHAT YOU MAKE OF IT!

44yo old female, blonde hair, 5'8", slim, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, looking for someone similar out there to enjoy life with! Box 436810

### READ ALL ABOUT IT

Petite, single mum of 2, way blonde hair, blue eyes, size 10, loves beach walks, animals, DIY, swimming, travelling, WLTW N's man to share things with. Box 429682

### NO GAME PLAYERS!

Hi, I'm 46, music, laughter, sensitivity, and love, I guess that's what I want, but with some special, are you him? Box 156955

### DON'T PASS ME BY

Friendy, bubbly, fun-loving woman, 45, 5'4", GSOH, enjoys socialising, pubs, music, eating in/out, own home/car, smoker, looking for honest man 44-55, who enjoys life. Box 823441

### MADE TO LOVE YOU

Baby blue eyed female, 46, long blonde hair, 5'8", medium-build, not bad looking! likes going to clubs, dinners, cinema, music, seeking nice guys for possible relationship. Box 849347

### ON A PLATE

Caring, honest 49yo old female, 52", eyes of blue, redhead, likes cinema, theatre, walking, WLTW male for fun and friendship. Box 895229

### SHINE A LIGHT ON ME

I'm Dawn, 47, quite shy and reserved, looking for someone special. I'm 5'8", blonde hair, blue eyes, slim, active, have one dog, work full time. Box 438795

### NEW IN TOWN

Marlene, 48, blonde hair, medium build, likes 4x4, gym, good biking, a glass of wine, cinema, rugby/soccer/cricket, WLTW sincere guy for friendship and companionship. Box 894117

### NO REGRETS

Bubbly, separated female, 40, slim build, love meeting new people and enjoying life, looking for an understanding man for happiness. Box 895245

### NEVER SAY NEVER

Decent 36yo old female, medium build, fair hair, 5'6", likes cinema, taking a break, fun, seeks like-minded male, 36-40, for friendship first. Box 736664

### ACTIVE ANGEL

Hi, I'm a fun-loving woman early 40, 5'11", curvy, enjoy eating out and cooking to walking, looking for man for happiness. Box 895496

### JOIN ME BABY

Fun-loving, wondrous woman, 41, 5'11", enjoys dining out, walking, cinema, looks for a confident man with GSOH, n's for friendship & maybe more. Box 895898

### ROUND TWO

41yo old female, separated with 3 children, medium-build, dark hair, seeking a male to share life with again who enjoys socialising, cinema, music and holidays! Box 427639

### YOU'LL SMILE IF YOU DIAL

Bubbly 40yo old female, enjoys beaches, pubs, clubs, WLTW a like-minded, male to share fun times with. Box 435102

### FOREVER YOURS

I'm Caroline, 42, single mum, likes having fun, eating out, wine bars, swimming, gardening, nights in/out, seeking genuine, friendly male, 45-55, Dover. Box 435441

### YOUNG & YUMMY

Mum of two, 42, 5'4", blonde hair, brown eyes, medium build, loves eating out, staying in, holidays, seeking male 37-45 with similar interests for love. Box 433949

### ON THE WINGS OF LOVE

Tall, outgoing lady, 43, large build, newly settled in Kent, needs to spread her wings and meet a nice chap! Let's chat! Box 895908

### ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

Love-loving, affectionate brunette, 43, size 12, N's, separated amicably with 2 lovely kids, enjoys keeping fit, seeks good looking, slim, fit, romantic male. Box 436849

### COMPLETE

Bubbly female, 41, 5'2", n's, enjoys pubs, restaurants, cinema, GSOH, interior design, seeks like minded, fun male for good times. Box 822703

### TAKE A CHANCE

Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values TLC. Box 414159

### BOOK AROUND THE CLOCK

Loving, lively, cuddly female, 50, 5'4", loves rock music, walking, films, WLTW easygoing male for uncomplicated relationship, good times. Box 894295

### BRIGHTON UP MY WORLD

Loving and loyal 49yo old female, GSOH, enjoys walking, countryside, cinema, theatre, pubs, restaurants, music, travel, seeks sincere and loving male between 48-56 for friendship. Box 900974

### WHITESTABLE WONDERLAND

Hi, I'm Yvette, 50, separated, blonde hair/eyes, size 12, 5'2", likes cinema, meals and drinks out, reading, walks, looking for male, 40-60, for relationship. Box 420160

### PUTTER IN YOUR HANDS!

Sporty female, 50, Hastings-based, 5'8", blonde/blue, enjoys golf, walking, socialising, eating in/out, WLTW fun-loving, kind, sporty male, 48-60, 5'10", to share life. Box 165367

### LAST CHANCE

Lively, understanding female, 51, large build, WLTW genuine, loving male, 45-58, for lasting, loving relationship. Faversham. Box 398271

### INDEPENDENT WOMAN

Bright, bubbly lady, 52, 5'4", blonde hair, recently divorced, own home and car, enjoys cinema, eating out, drinks, looking for companionship and friendship. Box 419966

### KENT CALLING!

Hi, I'm kind, caring, attractive lady, 53yo young, 5'7", brown hair/eyes, GSOH, enjoys walks, reading, travelling etc, WLTW tall, considerate man for friendship, possibly LTR. Box 439240

### EVERYDAY PEOPLE

Happily divorced female, 56, 5'4", slim, blonde hair, blue eyes, attractive, intelligent, likes a laugh, the cinema, cooking, WLTW compatible male for every day romance... Box 439231

### LIKES THE NICE THINGS IN LIFE

Divorced female, 50's, 5'4", blonde hair, great job and friends, likes to keep fit, hobbies include shopping, cooking, dining out, theatre/cinema, holidays, seeking friendship and more. Box 434901

### Women seeking women

Love to laugh  
Loving, young 25yo female with a kind heart and passion for life, short hair, blue eyes, likes music, socialising, seeks a like-minded female. Box 431117

### ANIMAL MAGIC!

Cuddly female, 48, blue eyes, very feminine, passionate Scorpio, loves music, animals, reading/writing, stars, very genuine, meals in/out, seeking boyish friendship. Box 433152

### A NEW CHAPTER...

Capricorn female, 48, 5'17, brown hair, blue eyes, GSOH, caring, animal lover, into DIY, sport, reading, WLTW someone in the Maidstone area. Box 434547

### MAGGIE MAY

Hi, I'm Maggie, a sociable Sagittarian 52-year-old brunette, likes music, dancing, eating out, seeking like-minded female, 40-65, for fun and more. Box 435191

### TRAVEL COMPANION

N's female, 63, disability scooter user, GSOH, seeks straight, fit female to share 17 day Med cruise, 1 paid for, as helpful companion. Box 438793

### LOVE CANNOT BE BOUGHT

Fun loving, bubbly, tactile lady, 50s, enjoys the good life, holidays and cosy nights in, I'm voluptuous & looking for a real man. Box 903560

### COUNTRY LOVE

Partially disabled 58yo old country woman, 55", fairly attractive, enjoys gardening, home life, WLTW country loving man for company and possibly LTR. Box 439065

### I'M JUST LIKE BAGPUS!

I'm 59, smoke/drink and ride a motorbike but I'm intelligent, sensitive, caring and loving, with GSOH and many friends, but still looking for someone special. Box 895919

### PUT SPARK INTO LIFE

Happy, contented solvent lady, 59, N's, living in the country near Hythe, seeks gentleman of similar disposition and means. Box 893292

### PERHAPS A COFFEE?

61-year-old lively, divorcee, blonde, smart, medium build, looking for a gentleman to be bright in shining armour. Box 439019

### NEW FOUNDATIONS

Solvent, cuddly female, 59, 5'11", love countryside, foreign travel, seeks happy, solvent male, 50s-62, for affection and TLC. Box 394179

### EXPERIENCE ALL THAT'S BEST

Divorced lady, 61, N's, medium build, loves movies, classic music, comedy, restaurants, cooking, gardening, reading, driving, seeks tactile man, for some time. Box 438854

### DON'T PASS ME BY

Young 61 year old, 5'13, medium build, brown hair/eyes, very happy-go-lucky, likes dancing, walks, eating in/out, I'm very adaptable, looking for LTR. Margate. Box 434424

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### MAKE THE MOST OF NOW

Widowed female, 62, WLTW trustworthy, honest caring guy 62-65 to share and enjoy the simple life, not tussled if you smoke/drink etc it's too short. Box 438401

### FOR THE TAKING

Sincere female, 63, loves cosy nights in/out, cinema, holidays, seeking sincere, honest male 60-65 to share and perhaps romance with. Box 438568

### LADY IN WAITING

Caring, lovely and up-at-heart lady, 65, 5'8", blonde hair, looking for someone nice, friendly, who likes eating out, restaurants, holidays, for company. Box 899242

### Women seeking women

Love to laugh  
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### NOT ASKING FOR MUCH

Fun loving, bubbly, tactile lady, 50s, enjoys the good life, holidays and cosy nights in, I'm voluptuous & looking for a real man. Box 903560

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### PERHAPS A COFFEE?

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### NEW FOUNDATIONS

Solvent, cuddly female, 59, 5'11", love countryside, foreign travel, seeks happy, solvent male, 50s-62, for affection and TLC. Box 394179

### EXPERIENCE ALL THAT'S BEST

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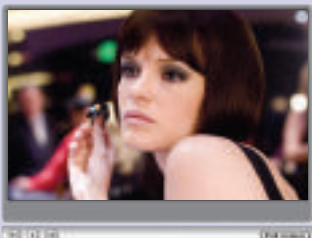
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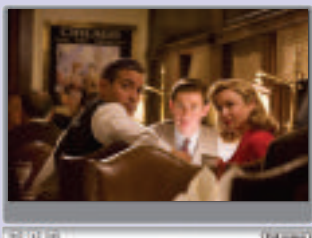
Will Proudfoot is being raised in isolation among The Brethren, a puritanical religious sect in which TV and music are strictly forbidden. So when Will encounters his first movie, a pirate copy of Rambo: First Blood, his imagination is blown wide open. He teams up with school bully Lee Carter to make their own action epic.

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# Mick shines a light on nerves

■ BY SHEREEN LOW

HE has performed in front of stadium-sized crowds for decades, and met the Queen, so it seems unlikely that nerves would affect Sir Mick Jagger.

Yet the 64-year-old rock star admits that shooting the Martin Scorsese-directed concert documentary Shine A Light made him slightly anxious.

"Shooting this movie was quite nerve-wracking in some ways for us, and in other ways it was fantastically enjoyable," says the Rolling Stones frontman, who grew up in Dartford.

"It was quite a challenge. It was great fun, but it was a great challenge for everyone, both on the night and after it. It took us two days to shoot the picture, but we've spent four days doing the premieres and promotions. It's taken us twice as long doing that.

"You always see things as great fun, but they're also challenges, doing things that are slightly different from what you do normally."

Mick and band members Keith Richards, Ronnie Wood and Charlie Watts hardly needed to boost their career. The Rolling Stones have amassed 32 UK and US top 10 singles, sold more than 200 million albums worldwide, and are, arguably, the greatest rock and roll band in the world.

Featuring guest appearances by Christina Aguilera, Jack White and blues guitarist Buddy Guy, Shine A Light was shot at the intimate Beacon Theatre in New York during the band's A Bigger Bang tour – recorded as the highest grossing tour of all time – in 2006, though Mick reveals this wasn't his initial plan.

"At the beginning, I was thinking we would be doing some kind of film of this tour. And because we were doing this big concert in Rio de Janeiro on the beach, I started thinking it was going to be different than the normal con-

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cert," he explains.

"It was going to be a big event, a million people on the beach, a huge audience, a big occasion. There was going to be a lot of material in there to shoot. We even did a budget for that."

Eventually, the Oscar-winning Departed director, affectionately referred to as Marty, persuaded him otherwise.

"Marty said he really wanted to shoot something more intimate. So we'd come around completely – I'd gone from a million people, and he'd gone to something small," Mick continues, taking a sip of water.

The twice-married singer adds: "Marty didn't want to do it with big stages, because you're quite removed from a more intimate relationship between the audience and the performers. He felt that you don't really see much in the relationships in a big movie like that.

"Also, he wanted to be in a very confined space with a lot of cameras and a lot of differ-



JITTERS: Sir Mick Jagger was nervous about filming

ent angles, which gives more control than being in a very large space.

"We also talked about shooting in 3D, and shooting in Imax, because it was such a big event," Mick recalls. "I was focused on this because I thought it was different. Marty seemed very excited by this idea."

Eventually, the pair decided to shoot in Imax, to enhance the cinematic experience for fans.

"The funny thing is that Marty, after looking at all the options, decided he wanted to make this small, intimate movie and I said, 'Well, the laugh is that, in the end, it's going to be blown up to this huge Imax thing, so the intimate moment is shown in Imax.' We got both so we're happy with that."

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## BIRTHS

### AUGUSTYNAIK

Jozef James born on 4th March 2008, weighing 5lb 8oz. Son to Zoe and Paul in Manston.

### BAKER

Marc Baker and Sarah Bowman celebrate the birth of their daughter Keira Sophie Baker on 2nd April 2008.

### BASHFORD

Terry-James Lee Bashford. Born on 18th March, weighing 9lb 5oz. Son to Sonya.

### BECK

Victoria is delighted to announce the birth of her beautiful daughter Hope Charlotte Jennifer Marie on 9th March 2008 weighing 4lb 8oz at Pembury Hospital.

### BENNETT

Aleisha is delighted to announce the birth of her daughter Tiana Faith on 7th March 2008 at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 5lb 10oz mother and daughter are both well.

### BRAND

Charlotte was born on the 22nd of March 2008, weighing 5lb 7oz. Daughter to Stuart and Virginia Brand in Dover.

### BROOKS

Jason and Leanne of Herne Bay are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Marie, on 1st April 2008. A new baby sister for Dylan.

### DRURY

Paul and Julie are delighted to announce the birth of their son Joe Robert Drury, he was born on the 27th March 2008 at 10.15 am and weighed 8lb 7oz. He is a brother and playmate for Jake Paul Drury.

### DYLAN

Born on the 27th March 2008, weighing 8lb 10oz. Son to Laura Connell and Stephen Palmer.

### EMPTAGE

Karen and Owen Emptage of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their daughter Elizabeth May on 26th March 2008.

## FINNIGAN

Asa and Stephanie are proud to announce the birth of Edward Michael a brother for Poppy and Lucy.

### GARDINER

Molly May Lesley born on 17th March 2008, weighing 8lb 6oz. Daughter to Stuart and Tara in Ramsgate. Welcome sister to Rhys and Callum.

### HARVEY

To Michael and Kerry of Canterbury a gorgeous son, Michael George, born on 31st March 2008. A new baby brother for Alfie.

### HODGES

Christina and Martin are pleased to announce the birth of their son Jamie Robert Hodges on 31 March 2008. A brother for Chloe, Elena, Alex and Sophia.

### HUGHES

George born on 3rd April 2008, weighing 7lb 10oz. Son to David and Amy in Garlinge. Welcome brother to Mia and Alfie.

### JACKSON

Rayne Addison born on 18th March 2008, weighing 4lb 8oz. Daughter to Jonathan and Tammy Jackson in Margate. A sister for Xyanne - Star.

### JAFFREY

Paris and Jonathan celebrate the birth of their son Zak Harry Jaffrey, born on 28th March 2008.

### JONES

Rhys Dylan born on 1st April 2008, weighing 7lb 15oz. Son to Andrew and Tamara of Hamstreet.

### KEMP

Robert and Lisa Kemp of Margate celebrate the birth of their daughter Macey - Rose Alisha Kemp on 20th March 2008. A sister to Erin - Grace Joshua and Cameron.

### KEMP

Sara and Simon Kemp of Ramsgate celebrate the birth of their daughter Rebecca Louise on 28th March 2008. A miracle promised by God.

## KENT

Michael and Margaret are the proud parents of Liam Matthew Kent. A brother to Joseph, born on 26th March 2008 weighing 6lb 3oz.

### KENYON-JONES

Simon and Susan of Faversham are delighted to welcome the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter, Elizabeth Eire, on 21st March 2008.

### LAWRENCE

Luke Edward born on 3rd April 2008, weighing 6lb 4oz. Son to Edward and Lorna in Birchington.

### MAHER

Brendan born on 29th February 2008, weighing 8lb 51/2oz. Son to Karl Gardiner and Elizabeth Maher in Ashford.

### MARTIN

Simon and Sue are proud to announce the safe arrival of Samuel David on 31st March 2008, weighing 9lb.

### MORRIS

Claire and Leigh celebrate the birth of their son Hadley James Morris on 23rd March 2008.

### NIX

Isobel Grace born on 31st March 2008. Daughter to Roxanne and Peter Nix in Dover.

### O'CONNOR

Zakary Omer born on 20th March 2008, weighing 7lb 5oz. Son to Eddie and Katie in Ramsgate.

### PAY

George Edward Pay born on 8th March 2008, 6lb 7oz. Son to Genevieve Sharp and Stuart Pay in Maidstone.

### PEAKE

Nathan born on Good Friday 21 March 2008, weighing 8lb 13oz. Son to Jennie and Matt Pooke in Pembury.

### RAS-KASSA

A gift from God was born on the 1st of March 2008: Tristan Elijah Ras-Kassa. Love from Mum xXx

## SCOTT -

**MALHOMME**  
Kevin and Amy Malhomme of Ash celebrate the birth of their daughter Summer Maureen Rosie Scott - Malhomme on 23rd March 2008. A sister to Jayden and Daniel.

### SMITH

Kacey Rose Smith born on 27th March 2008 weighing 7lb 2oz. Daughter to Sarah Jane Thompson and Ricky Lloyd Smith in Darent Valley Hospital. Our special little angel.

### STEVENS

Claire and Neil Stevens of Ramsgate celebrate the birth of their son Harry Kai on 27th March 2008.

### STEVENSON

Simon and Hilary Stevenson of Margate celebrate the birth of their daughter Emelia Beatrix Stevenson on 20th March 2008. A sister to Isabella.

### SUTTON

Henry Arthur, born on 31st March 2008, weighing 8lb 10oz. Son to Gemma Wilson-Hamilton and Nathan Sutton. Little brother for Freddie.

### THOMAS

Trent Lee born on 28th February 2008, weighing 8lb 9oz. Son to Hannah. Grandson to Kelvin. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

### TURNER

Keira Amy born on 29th March 2008 weighing 6lb 8oz. Little sister for Jordan and Bethany.

### UPCHER-

**COUSENS**  
Mark and Donna are pleased to announce the birth of Alexander Peter George (7lb 6oz). Brother to Tanith and Rowan.

### VAUGHAN

Bryn Forrest Vaughan born on 19th March 2008, weighing 5lb 13oz. Son to Berne and Sarah in Chillingdon.

### WILKIE-HARRIS

Rebecca and David Wilkie-Harris of Maidstone celebrate the birth of their daughter Emily Eve Wilkie-Harris on 19th March 2008.

## DEATHS

### ARUNDELL

Robin Arundell of Maidstone died peacefully at home with his family around him on 27th March 2008. Enquiries to Viner and Son Funeral Directors, West Malling 01732 842485.

### BARKER

Peter John Barker of Sidcup, passed away suddenly but peacefully at Kent and Canterbury hospital on 26th March 2008.

Much loved dad to Anthony and Linda, daughter in law Jo and son in law John. Loving grandad of Gemma, Daniel, Aaron, Christopher and Jordan. The funeral was held on 9th April at Eltham Crematorium.

### CHAPMAN

Peggy Chapman peacefully passed away on 4th April 2008. Sadly missed by Malcolm, Sue, Janet and Brian. Funeral to be held on 21st April at St Botolphs Church Northfleet at 1pm and 1.30pm at Northfleet Cemetery. All friends welcome. God bless you Peggy.

### CLEGG

Rose Violet Clegg (nee Newnham) passed away peacefully on the 30th March 2008 at the age of 95 years. Rose had a full and happy life and will be sadly missed by her family. Enquiries to Co-op Funeral Service Dartford.

### DALE

Doris of Leigh, Tonbridge passed away peacefully at Maidstone Hospital on 2nd April aged 84 years. Funeral service at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium on 15th April at 11.30, flowers or donations to MacMillan Cancer Support. Devoted wife of Frederick and mother of Linda she will be very sadly missed.

## GROVES

Freda Amy Groves passed away peacefully on 4th April 2008 at Darent Valley Hospital. Enquiries to Horlocks Funeral Services Longfield. Much loved by friends and family. Will be greatly missed.

### HARBOTTLE

Lillian May Harbottle of Maidstone passed away peacefully on 31st March 2008, aged 84. Sadly missed by all her family and friends.

### HOARE

Annie Charlotte Hoare of Canterbury passed away peacefully on 2nd April 2008. Beloved mum of Gary, daughter in law Wendy and loving Nanny to Georgina and Tony. She will be very sadly missed. The funeral was held at Barham on Saturday April 5th.

### HOPKINS

Tom (Joseph Thomas Noel) Hopkins of Dover passed away on 28th March 2008. Beloved husband of Roslyn, loving dad to Christine and John and much loved grandad to Kellie and Marc. The funeral was held on Thursday 10th March at Barham.

### JAMES

Kingsley of Tonbridge passed away on 1st April 2008. A loving brother and uncle who will be greatly missed. All enquiries to Abbey Funeral Services Tonbridge.

### JANDAY

Jasbir Singh Janday passed away on 28th March 2008. Much loved Husband of Amarjit and Father of Sushma, Steve, Balwinder Kaur, Balwinder Singh, Surrinder and Kulwinder and Grandfather of Theresa and Gurpreet.

### LEPPARD

George of Forest Row, East Sussex died peacefully on 4th April. Loving Husband, Father and Grandfather. Funeral at Worth Crematorium on 17th April at 3.45pm.

## LUCAS

Patricia Ann Lucas of Minster on Sea passed away peacefully, at her home, on 24th March 2008. Beloved wife of Anthony and much loved mum to Jacqui, Alan and Garry also a much loved Nan to her two grandchildren. Funeral enquiries to Hoghens of Rose Street, Sheerness.

### PARRY

Beatrice Flora Parry of Whitstable passed away suddenly but peacefully on 30th March 2008. Beloved mum of Laurance, daughter in law Sharon and loving Nan to Jamie and Rebecca. She will be very sadly missed. The funeral was held on Thursday April 10th at Barham.

### PARTER

Lilian Parter of Milton Regis (formerly Norton) passed away peacefully on 29th March 2008. A loving mum to George, Linda, Maureen, Denise and Lorraine. A much loved grandmother and great grandmother. She will be very sadly missed. The funeral took place at Charing on 10th April 2008.

### PEPPER

Brian Edward Pepper passed away peacefully on the 5th April 2008. A much loved father and grandfather he will be sadly missed. Funeral at Eltham Crematorium on 23rd April at 2.30pm. Donations welcome for The Lions Hospice in Brian's memory.

### PLUMB

Elizabeth (Betty) nee Sage formerly of Jubilee Crescent passed away 1st April 2008 at Darent Valley Hospital. Cremation taken place at Medway Crematorium Friday 11th April. A loving Wife, Mother and Nan. Gone but never forgotten.

### ROBERTS

Lily Roberts of Herne Bay passed away peacefully on 1st April 2008. Loving wife of Bill and a much loved mum and Nan.

## SHARP

Derek (Derry/Jerry) of Northfleet. Passed away peacefully on 28th March 2008. Much loved Husband, Father and Grandad. Service at Eltham Crematorium on 17th April 2008 at 11.30am. All enquiries to Co-operative Funeral Care, Gravesend 01474 365980.

### SHIPTON

Roy Brian Shipton of Canterbury passed away peacefully on 7th April 2008. Loving husband of Susan. Much loved dad to Nicola and Lucy, also a much loved grandad. He will be very sadly missed but reunited with Neil. Funeral enquiries to C W Lyons of Canterbury.

### SHREEVE

Samuel Alfred Shreeve passed away peacefully on the 30th March 2008. He was surrounded by his family and will be truly missed. All enquiries to Co-operative 01322 - 332925.

### SPITTLES

Vera, wife of Harold William passed peacefully away after a short illness on 4th April. Will be sadly missed by her son Graham and her grandchildren Aaron and Pay. All enquiries regarding funeral via Hickmotts of Tunbridge Wells.

### TAYLOR

Daisy Taylor of Whitstable passed away suddenly at Margate hospital on 29th March 2008. Loving mum to June and Ken, much loved Nan to her three grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. The funeral is to be held at Charing on Tuesday April 15th at 12.40.

### TIPPING

Walter Tipping passed away on 1st April 2008, aged 76. Thank you for all your kind wishes.

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## PROPERTY NEWS

### Research shows a trend towards long term investment

NEW research indicates the demand for five year fixed rate mortgages is increasing as buyers look for stability in a market which is growing increasingly uncertain.

Research by Abbey uncovered the growing desire among buyers which has taken place over recent months.

Director of Abbey Mortgages Nici Audhlam-Gardiner said the results showed people were "keener than ever" to obtain long term security when it comes to purchasing a home.

Other companies who are active in the housing market say they uncovering similar findings.

A survey by FairInvestment.co.uk discovered that 40 per cent of those who responded would be interested in a 25 year fixed-rate deal on their properties.

The findings come at a time when the Government is keen to regulate the housing market more and more.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Alistair Darling has expressed a wish to see longer term mortgage deals become more commonplace.

### First time buyers look to continent

FIRST time buyers looking to get on the housing ladder are increasingly looking abroad for their first buy.

This is a new trend according to industry analysts and is in contrast to the usual moves by UK investors to buy a second home in countries such as France, Spain or Portugal.

The attraction in continental countries is the lower property prices – usually more associated with holiday homes than first time buys.

In some cases the foreign homes are bought merely as an investment while their owners continue to rent in the UK.

They are then either rented out themselves to bring in cash or resold when the market becomes more buoyant.

"People want to step on the ladder, but they are having to go overseas to do so," said one industry analyst.

Britain's buyers have traditionally accounted for a large part of the Spanish housing market, which is in turn a substantial part of the country's economy.

# Share the load and you'll survive the market nightmare

**MOAT** Housing Association's sales and marketing director Marilyn DiCara tells us why HomeBuy purchasers can benefit from a tough housing and lending market:

We are assaulted by almost daily reports of mortgage lenders closing for new lending or demanding ever larger deposits from house hunters.

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The HomeBuy shared ownership schemes, where buyers purchase only part of the equity of a home, represent lower risk for both buyers and lenders.

The issue of housing affordability has not gone away. While prices have stabilised, they are still extremely high by historic standards.

#### Ten times

In many parts of London and the South East the average house price is more than ten times local income – well out of reach for most first time buyers.

Even if prices drop by ten per cent, as some commentators think possible, homes will still not be affordable for large numbers of local people.

In that context, products that

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## MOTORS NEWS



### Insignia's disguised to tackle the photo spies

VAUXHALL has been teasing the motoring paparazzi by releasing shots of this 'official' camouflaged Insignia – the car replacing the current Vectra later this year.

Spyshots of undisguised prototypes of a major new model like the Insignia can command five-figure sums from the scoop-hungry motoring press.

The Insignia is intended to spearhead a drive upmarket for Vauxhall – the same job Ford is attempting with the all-new Mondeo launched last year.

To the same end, the famous Vauxhall badge depicting a Griffin has also been modernised to reflect this new prestige pitch from the General Motors brand.



### Two final hits as sun sets on classic Ibiza

SEAT's all-new Ibiza may be set for a summer launch, but two special editions should deliver hits for the current car.

The Freerider and Sportrider are based on the three-door Ibiza and laden with extras and at tempting prices: the £8,995 Freerider has a eco-friendly three-cylinder 1.2 engine capable of averaging around 47mpg with just 139 g/km of CO2 and comes with cruise and climate control, alloys and electric mirrors.

The Sportrider starts at £9,495 with a choice of power plus even more extras.



### VW add sporty diesel to boost Tiguan appeal

VW has boosted demand for its smart new Tiguan 4x4 with a dynamic new 2.0-litre diesel from £22,670.

With 168bhp and lower emissions now expected from modern diesels, allied to a six-speed gearbox, this Tiguan neatly balances performance and economy.

The new engine can average some 40mpg while emitting 185g/km of CO2 – modest for this class – yet it is also the fastest Tiguan model with a top speed of 125 mph.



**SEVEN UP:** Chevrolet's Captiva can seat up to seven people and with a relatively cheap lead-in price of £16,995 typifies the American car giant's 'more bangs for yer bucks' marketing

## It pays to look beyond the captivating Chevy's price

NOT sure that Louis Chevrolet would have liked the little cars bearing his name.

But the former racing driver and fan of big and powerful cars might have admired the butch new UK addition to the brand he founded in 1911 – the five-seven-seat Captiva SUV (sports utility vehicle).

Though still a small player here, Chevrolet recorded one of 2007's biggest gains in market share (27 per cent).

The Captiva's launch midway helped, typifying Chevy's 'more bangs for yer bucks' marketing and using a crazy £16,995 lead-in price, but this proves to be a two-wheel drive only, five-seater with asthmatic 134bhp 2.4-litre petrol engine that is best avoided, although it comes with alloys, air con and six-speaker sounds with controls on the steering wheel.

The 'real deal' is the punchier 148bhp 2.0-litre turbodiesel, with 4x4, electronic stability and descent controls and more, but the price jumps three grand – even more for seven seats.

However, few modern rivals challenge the

## ROAD TEST CHEVROLET CAPTIVA

BY STEVE LOADER

### STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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Space	★★★★★
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big Chevy for space and seven seats and the American 'aura' of the badge – despite adulteration by baby Chevrolets like the Matiz city car – has extra appeal, especially as the '...drove my Chevy to the levee' line from Don McLean's American Pie resonates with the 35-44 target age group.

Having opted for diesel and seven seats, you then face a further £1,000 question – do I go for the optional auto 'box'?

Yes. The five-speed manual is not the slickest, whereas the five-speed auto makes the big Captiva an effortless drive with a slick manual-select option if you wish.

And you might, because 4x4 Captivas are capable of limited off-roading even if ride height is modest. The car is also quite nimble on-road without the degree of roll suggested by its size. Emissions and fuel consumption for the auto are a little high for our new greener era though.

While relatively cheap for a big SUV seating up to seven, the cabin is durable and tasteful, with the generous stowage you find in US brands, a well-arranged dashboard, plus decent legroom for both rear rows of seats.



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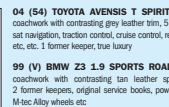
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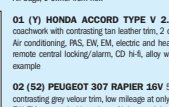
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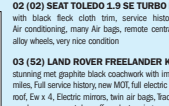
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Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
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Driving appeal	★★★★★
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Westminster Road

Vauxhall Ind. Estate

Canterbury, Kent CT1 1YY

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You must be physically fit and hardworking with good general horticultural knowledge and the ability to work well unsupervised or as part of a team.

Working 40 hours a week, this position offers the successful candidate the opportunity to work in a unique environment where no two days are ever the same.

There is the opportunity for the post to become a permanent position for the right person.

Immediate start, contract ends on 31st November 2008.

Working hours are: 8.00am to 4.30pm, Monday to Friday  
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This post is subject to an enhanced CRB check

Further details are available on our web site: [www.spireacademy.com](http://www.spireacademy.com)  
To apply for this position please forward a letter of application together with a CV quoting post reference 04/05 to: [m.wington@spireacademy.com](mailto:m.wington@spireacademy.com)

Closing date: Wednesday 23rd April 2008 at noon

Interview date: Wednesday 30th April 2008

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Could you be the highly motivated, flexible and pro-active team member we are seeking?

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You will be primarily providing support and accessing services for older, vulnerable people in sheltered housing schemes and the wider community. You will also play a full and active role in Shepways 24 hour Control Centre, where both Lifeline Alarms and CCTV are monitored. The post-holder will be an integral part of the Supported Housing Rota which includes weekend working and on call duties on a rotational basis.

You will need to have and demonstrate at interview:

- A good all round education and excellent communication skills.
- The experience of working with and supporting older people in the community.
- Knowledge of Supporting People and legislation relating to older persons will be advantageous.
- Be confident, proactive and have a "can do" approach to your work.
- The capability to manage and prioritise your own workload.
- The confidence to motivate and inspire others.

Appointment to this post is subject to receipt of a satisfactory enhanced disclosure application from the Criminal Records Bureau.

Please contact Angela Vince on 01303 853184 for more information about the post.

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Closing date for applications is Friday 25 April 2008. Interviews will be held Friday 16 May.

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- Perform regular internal financial audits.
- Prepare end of year accounts in accordance with SORPS requirements currently in place

You will also provide cover for the Deputy Chief Executive when required, meaning that you'll gain a comprehensive understanding of the organisation and be able to make a full contribution to its future progress.

To be considered for this role you should have a formal accounting qualification, solid experience of accounting procedures/double entry book-keeping and computerised accounting systems. Experience within the voluntary sector would be advantageous.

**For an application form contact: KCA (UK), 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT. Telephone 01795 590635, Fax 01795 539351**  
**Email [recruitment@kca.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@kca.org.uk), www.kca.org.uk.**

**Closing date: 21st April 2008**

**Interview date: 29th April 2008**

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Ref: T1319

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Ashford

26 hours per week - term-time only

You will provide assistance with the learning experiences of students within the New Start Centre ensuring they participate fully in the learning experience available to them through their course of study. You will be required to assist students with reading, writing or verbal communication as circumstances demand.

**The closing date for receipt of all completed application forms is Monday 21st April 2008.**

For further information, including salary details and an application pack for the above vacancy, please contact the Human Resources Department on either 0845 207 8222 (24 hour answerphone), email: [humanresources@southkent.ac.uk](mailto:humanresources@southkent.ac.uk) or visit [www.southkent.ac.uk](http://www.southkent.ac.uk)

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## Head of Quality and Standards

37 hrs per week, salary starting from £40,821 per annum  
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Canterbury College is aiming to be the best in teaching and learning by 2010. An exciting opportunity has arisen to take on this key role in the College to drive this further forward. As Head of Quality and Standards you will be responsible for all quality review and improvement processes together with taking forward local, national and government quality initiatives with the ultimate aim being to further enhance the quality of the teaching and learning experience thereby ensuring success for all students at Canterbury College.

For an application pack please visit [www.cant-col.ac.uk](http://www.cant-col.ac.uk) or call the Personnel Office on 01227 811282 (24hr answerphone) quoting the post reference.

**The closing date for the above posts is Monday 21 April at 12 noon.**

### Staff benefits include:

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## Lecturer Cross-College Key Skills

18.5 hrs per week, salary range £17,816 - £25,545 pro rata per annum  
Post Ref: 08/36/KOS

## Senior Learning Resources Officer

37 hrs per week, salary starting from £20,775 per annum  
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## Hair & Beauty Receptionist

18.5 hrs per week, 40 weeks per year term time.  
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- Strong SQL, MySQL or DB2 skills
- XML with use of XSLT
- Javascript, DHTML and other scripting languages is a plus
- Logical approach to problem solving
- Well organised with a systematic approach to code writing
- Understanding the importance of development, integration and delivery of code
- Experience with versioning software (Subversion would be an advantage)

**Interested?** Then please send your CV and covering letter to **Holiday Extras**, Newingreen, Hythe, Kent CT21 4JF or to [recruitment@holidayextras.com](mailto:recruitment@holidayextras.com)

Closing Date: 25 April 2008



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## Section Manager Construction Crafts

37 hrs per week, salary starting from £32,808 per annum.  
Post Ref: 08/12/KOS

## Higher Education Lecturer in Building Surveying

9.25 hrs per week, salary range £17,816 - £25,545 pro rata per annum  
Post Ref: 07/28/KOS

**HE Supply Lecturers are required to teach across HNC, HND, Foundation and Honours Degree programmes in the following areas:**

Various hours available, salary range £17,816 - £25,545 pro rata per annum

**HNC in Building Surveying**

**Foundation Degree in Early Years Studies**

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**FD in Counselling\***

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Please specify your area/s of expertise in your application form

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## PRIMARY SCHOOLS

### Teacher

#### Burnt Oak Primary School

KS2 Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 12 May 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Mrs Gill Perry  
Headteacher  
Burnt Oak Primary School  
Cornwall Road  
Gillingham  
Kent ME7 1LP  
Telephone - (01634) 852991  
Fax - 01634 571283  
Email  
office@burntoak.medway.sch.uk

#### Fairview Community Primary School

Foundation Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and fixed term  
Term of contract: 1 Year  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 28 April 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Diana Parker, Office Manager  
Fairview Community Primary School  
Dreway Drive  
Wigmore  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 0NU  
Telephone - (01634) 338710  
Email office@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk

#### Fairview Community Primary School

Year 3  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full time and fixed term  
Term of contract: 1 Year  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing Date: 2 May 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Diana Parker  
Office Manager  
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Dreway Drive  
Wigmore  
Gillingham  
Kent ME8 0NU  
Telephone - (01634) 338710  
Email office@fairviewprimary.medway.sch.uk

#### Gordon Junior School

KS2 Teacher (Responsibility for Literacy)  
Salary: MPS + TLR 2b - £3940  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 13 May 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Mrs Ellen Wilson  
Headteacher  
Gordon Junior School  
Gordon Road  
Strood  
Rochester  
Kent ME2 3HQ  
Telephone - (01634) 719971  
Fax - 01634 290337  
Email headteacher@gordon-jun.medway.sch.uk

#### Hempstead Junior School

Key Stage 2 Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Permanent  
Term of contract: Maternity Cover  
Required From: 1 September 2008

Closing Date: 2 May 2008

#### To apply/more information

Mr David Bignell  
Headteacher  
Hempstead Junior School  
Birch Grove  
Hempstead  
Gillingham  
Kent ME7 3SD  
Telephone - (01634) 371823  
Fax 233328  
Email office@hempsteadjunr.medway.sch.uk

#### High Halstow Primary School

KS2 Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Temporary  
Term of contract: 1 Year  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 22 April 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Mrs Pat Sanford, Headteacher  
High Halstow Primary  
Harrison Drive  
High Halstow  
Rochester  
Kent ME3 8TF  
Telephone - (01634) 251098  
Fax - 01634 255628  
Email headteacher@highhalstow.medway.sch.uk

#### Luton Junior School

Class Teacher and Subject Leader for Music  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Permanent  
Required From: 1 September 2008  
Closing date: 24 April 2008  
**To apply/more information**  
Sheila Scott  
Luton Road Junior School  
Luton Road  
Chatham  
Kent ME4 5AW  
Telephone - (01634) 844149  
Fax - 01634 843582  
Email scottsd01@medway.org.uk

#### The Pilgrim School

KS2 Teacher  
Salary: MPS/UPS  
Full Time and Permanent  
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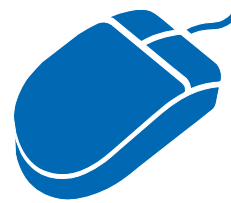
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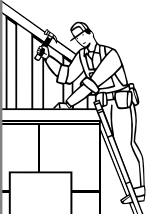
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Research by independent environmental organisation the Energy Saving Trust has found that with Government tax breaks now in force, if UK companies all choose vehicles with 120g/km or fewer carbon dioxide emissions there could be £250m savings for UK employers through reduced National Insurance contributions.

There would also be £645m savings for UK employees through reduced Benefit in Kind (BIK) income tax contributions, £780m saving for UK employers through reduced fuel consumption, a saving of £1.2bn on the fuel bill of company cars driven privately and massive emissions savings.

### Website opens up an unusual way to raise charity funds

A FAST-growing Kent creative agency, Remedy, is behind one of the year's most innovative online fundraising campaigns – a website to find the nation's favourite nursery rhyme.

The firm, based in Southborough, was chosen by I CAN, the children's communication charity, to design the interactive website alongside associate web development company, Interbyte, also based in Southborough, near Tonbridge Wells.

Launched by Dancing on Ice 2008 winner, Suzanne Shaw, [www.rhymestars.co.uk](http://www.rhymestars.co.uk) gives people the chance to vote for their favourite nursery rhyme.

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# In the business of matchmaking

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The Dunham Group, which has offices all around the country, has launched its new Kent Dunham Business Transfer Agency (DBTA) to help would-be entrepreneurs find their perfect business.

Peter Burgess, area director of the Kent DBTA, has lived and worked in the county for nearly 30 years and provided financial services to companies across the region.

He said: "Many people wanting to sell or buy

a business don't know where to start. Unlike traditional brokers, we aim to provide a unique, personalised service.

"We build relationships with prospective buyers and sellers to understand their needs and objectives, and work together to ensure tailored advice and support is provided throughout the process."

The agency has two divisions, one focusing on hotels, public houses, restaurants, nurseries, care homes and shops, and the other specialising in the sale of corporate entities.

As part of the Dunham Group the agency has access to an extensive network and database of buyers and existing businesses for sale, as well as providing clients with support from a group of specialist companies including

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Mr Burgess said: "This is a significant advantage for clients, as the legal costs of selling or buying a business can often be underestimated. Our unique fee structure incorporates the legal costs at a preferential rate, streamlining the entire process."

Dean Dunham, founder of the group, said: "Our industry knowledge is vital to the successful sale of a business and we ensure that clients benefit from our experience and from access to other companies in the group, so that both vendors and buyers get the best result possible."

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LAST DAY: Dover could still win the title in the last game of the season

# Rivals could help Dover out

## RUGBY

### Tonbridge Juddian 10 Dover 26

host's half, but basic errors and suicidal handling proved costly.

In the 22nd minute, Dover took the lead with a break in midfield and an inside pass to Ed Close saw him sprint through and touch down with Ben Sedgwick adding the conversion. TJ's responded well and eventually won a try providing a multi-overlap to the left wing who touched down. The extras were added.

At half-time there was some strong words of advice from the Dover

coaches and the Sharks came out a better side.

Dover took a scrum against the head which led to centre Foster touching down with the conversion missed. With a two point lead, Dover still couldn't get into their stride. A rolling maul was used to good effect as the ball was spread from right to left and centre Lee Tonks was on hand to touch down with Sedgwick kicking the conversion. TJ's legs were tiring and Dover scored another try by Foster through a handling error, with Mike Marsh converting.

Dover take on Lewes at Crabble on Saturday hoping for a big win, while they will also hope rivals Deal & Betteshanger beat Gravesend.

## Pair tee off ready for Pro-Am final

AMATEUR golfer Frank Murphy and Etchinghill Golf Club professional Steve Watkins are a step away from the final of Europe's biggest Pro-Am event.

The pair took their first step towards the final of the PGA National Pro-Am Championship when they won the qualifying competition with a score of 66 earlier this year.

Murphy, from Dover, has been playing golf for 12 years and plays off a handicap of nine. He and his partner Watkins will advance to Royal Ashdown Gold Club on May 12 for the regional round.

If they come through a one round showdown, they will enjoy an all expenses paid trip to the final at the PGA Sultan course in Turkey.

The overall winners of the tournament will pick up £30,000.

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## Stones drop to third from bottom

FOLKESTONE RFC ended their season with a defeat after going down 34-3 to a very strong Charlton Park side.

The Stones had levelled the score in the first half following Steve Morgan's penalty kick, but their opponents scored a try before half-time to go in 15-3 up.

Any chance of a comeback was soon forgotten when Charlton Park scored three more second half tries to take the game away from the Kent club and consign them to defeat in their last game of the season. Folkestone finished third from bottom in London South East Four.

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# Comedy goal keeps Dover on course for 100 points

## FOOTBALL

BY FRED ATKINS

### Met Police 0 Dover Athletic 1

A HIDEOUS goalkeeping error, destined to end up as a YouTube classic, kept Dover on course to beat the 100 point barrier in Ryman Division One South.

There was little to choose between the two sides until the Met's keeper Will Packham raced out of his area on the hour mark. With James Dryden bearing down on him Packham attempted to hoof the ball out of danger, but instead executed a fresh air shot, allowing Dryden to steer the ball into an empty net.

The Met, needing a win to secure a play-off position, formed a guard of honour before kick-off and clapped the newly-crowned champions onto the pitch.

However, they quickly dispensed with the pleasantries and after surviving an early spell of Dover pressure, should have taken a 17th-minute lead when they missed an open goal.

A physical Met side were shown two yellow cards in a first-half pockmarked by bad tackles. Striker Frannie Collin then showed great skill to waltz his way past two defenders, only to screw his shot wide having done the hard bit.

Driving rain did little to improve the quality of the football at the start of the second half and the feeling that an error would settle the game was confirmed when Packham rushed out of his goal in the 59th-minute and embarrassingly failed to make contact with the ball.

Whites manager Andy Hessenthaler was sympathetic, saying: "Nobody likes to see a team lose a game because of a mistake like that. I had a chat with him after the game and said he should keep his head up. Everyone makes mistakes but unfortunately if you're a keeper it can cost you the game."

The Met never seriously threatened to snatch a point, though Hessenthaler admitted his side were far from emphatic winners.

"A point might have been a fairer result," he told Yourdover, "but we've had games this season that we've deserved to win, notably against Chatham and we haven't, so it evens itself out. "We created more chances in the first half, in the second, there probably wasn't a lot in it."

With the title in the bag, Hessenthaler's immediate goal is to break the 100-point barrier:

He said: "There was a big change around at the club at the start of the season and it took



Picture: SIMON HARRIS

**WINNER:** Jimmy Dryden netted for Dover in bizarre circumstances to edge the Whites closer to earning 100 points

time to bed in, but when we beat Worthing at home 3-0 that was when it all came together. "Then at Tooting we didn't play well, but we

were hard to play against and once we got our goal I think that was the game when I thought we'd win the league."



# Stones clash could be key for Invicta

## FOOTBALL

BY YOURDOVER REPORTER

### Folkestone Invicta 1 East Thurrock 1

A JAMES Everitt strike in stoppage time gave Folkestone a share of the points in their relegation battle with East Thurrock.

Everitt was there to convert the rebound after visiting goalkeeper Shane Gore had saved from Leigh Bremner following a Kevin Watson free-kick.

The Essex side had opened the scoring in the 37th minute when striker Steve Wareham was given on-side and headed in from close range.

The visitors then missed numerous chances to increase their lead during the second half.

Ben Boyce had lobbed over the crossbar in the 45th minute and goalscorer Wareham then hit the post and shot wide of the far post at the start of the second half.

Wareham was put through again after 69 minutes but home goalkeeper Luke Stonebridge came out to save.

Steve West then missed a sitter in the 72nd minute when he put the ball over from close range after a ball in from the right.

The home side had late chances as Gore denied both Lloyd Blackman and Watson.

But East Thurrock missed another gilt-edged chance when Boyce blasted over after going clean through in the 85th minute.

The point means Invicta remain third from bottom in the Ryman Premier League and are three points from safety. The club still have two games in hand on both Wealdstone and Maidstone and it is all set up for when the two Kent clubs meet in the final game.

However, boss Neil Cugley believes his side need only a further six points to guarantee their survival before that game.

He said: "We need about six points I think to stay in this division.

"I hope the crowd will get behind the team and lift them to safety. Survival is in our hands."



IN OUR HANDS: With home advantage in three of the last four games, Neil Cugley expects his side to escape relegation



DELIGHTED: Dover Athletic chairman Jim Parmenter

## Parmenter pleased with club's success

### FOOTBALL

DOVER Athletic chairman Jim Parmenter expects the club to be challenging for promotion again next season after they were finally crowned Ryman Division One South champions last weekend.

After almost going bust three years ago, the Whites are moving in the right direction and Parmenter believes more success is on the way.

Last Saturday marked a turn in fortunes for Dover by becoming champions in Andy Hessenthaler's first season in charge.

The club has a mixed history from the heights of playing in the Conference, to three relegations to Ryman Division One South in 2005.

The Whites were in the Conference for nine seasons from 1994 until relegation in 2002. However, a financial crisis saw them plummet down three divisions and the club almost folded.

Parmenter stepped in as chairman in 2005 and after two successive play-off final defeats, Dover have made it to the Ryman Premier League at the third time of asking.

Parmenter said: "It was a fantastic feeling to lift the title, I think the whole town is buzzing. The club nearly went bust in 2005 when we stepped in, but we have sorted the financial issues thankfully.

"I am delighted for the fans, they have stuck with us through thick and thin. Just to see their jubilant faces at the final whistle was a memory I will cherish."

The chairman believes the key to the success has been the capture of Hessenthaler to manage the first team and he envisages more success in the not too distant future.

He said: "We managed to get Andy to come to the club in the summer last year and many people would have given their right arm to get him to manage a club in our position.

"Next season we believe we can go all the way again and get promotion. We have the players at the club but I know Andy will want to bring in three or four new faces."

# Smissen a doubt for the cup final



HYTHE Town's promotion hopes were ended at the weekend as they suffered a heavy defeat to Erith & Belvedere.

Strikes from John Farley and Sam Prett in the first half put the home side in a two-goal lead, before Lee Winfield scored ahead of half-time.

However, any thoughts of a comeback were soon dashed when Steve White bagged a brace to consign Hythe to playing Kent League football again next season.

Manager Paul Fisk said: "I think Thamesmead will be the favourites to go on and pick up the title now. We can just focus on ourselves and just hope to win all of our remaining games and finish third.

"It's a shame only one team gets promotion because we have had a great year. We have only dropped seven points out of the last 47, that's good form but it's not good enough. We've got the cup final to look forward to which makes it

## FOOTBALL

### Erith & Belvedere 4 Hythe Town 1

more difficult to keep the players' minds focused on the league."

Town face Erith Town on May 3 at Folkestone Invicta's Buzzlines Stadium in the Kent Premier Division Cup final, but their hopes have taken a blow following the news leading scorer Buster Smissen is a doubt for the game.

Fisk said: "Buster Smissen is doubtful for the final as he's been struggling with a knee injury.

"He told me he was desperate to get 50 goals this season. He is on 47 but it is going to be tough and go to see if he will be able to achieve it. He needs rest but he could miss the rest of the season.

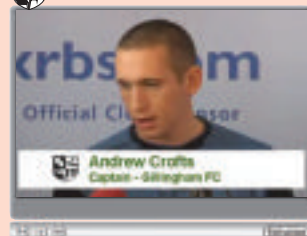
"We have now started preparing for next season and I am glad to say we have been able to keep the majority of the squad."

HOPES DASHED: Hythe (red and white) have lost out in their bid for promotion

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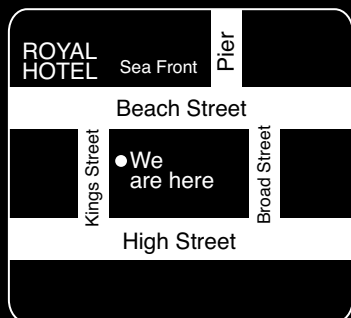
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